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## UAW Elects New Board With Many Changes

### Eight are Named; Big Michigan District Holds Primaries

By DeWitt Gilpin
(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, April 5.—Delegates to the Convention of the United Auto Workers Union here turned today to the election of 17 Executive Board Members.

Incomplete returns listed the following unionists who have been elected to the U.A.W. governing body:

Paul Miley, Richard Reisinger and Ellsworth Kramer from the Ohio District; Leroy Roberts from the Indiana District; Delmond Garst from the Missouri District; George Burt from the Canadian District; Lawrence Smith from the Southern District; William Cody from the Wisconsin District; and L. H. Michener from the Western District.

Meanwhile the Convention remained in recess while balloting continued in the large Michigan District where seven places on the Executive Board are at stake.

Due to the large number of candidates for the Michigan posts it was necessary to hold a primary to eliminate all but 14 candidates. In the finals, the result of which will probably not be known until tonight, eight candidates will contest for the four Detroit posts while six more will compete for the three out-state positions.

DETROIT LEADERS

The first eight candidates in the first Detroit balloting in the order named, were Walter Reuther, Richard Frankensteen, Richard Leonard, Leo Lamotte, Tracy Doll, Patrick Quinn, John Anderson and Curt Murdoch.

Reuther, Frankensteen, Lamotte and Doll are incumbents on the Board while Leonard is secretary of the Michigan Industrial Union Council. Anderson is president of Local 155, Quinn is president of the Chrysler local, and Murdoch has a simliar position in the big Packard local.

Already eliminated from the election were the following incumbent Board Members: Fred Pieper from the Southern District who was replaced by Smith; Russel Merril who lost the Indiana post to Roberts; Charles Millard who was succeeded in Canada by Burt, F. S. Michel who lost in Wisconsin to Cody, Loren Houzer and Morris Fields of Detroit who were eliminated in the Michigan primary.

Irvan Carey, the old Western District board member, has been expelled.

A decision was passed by the convention allowing the Eastern District to delay its election two months in order to assure a real representative candidate.

Regardless of the outcome of the Michigan election it was obvious that the Board would include many new faces and that its composition would be so representative that all of the old factional lines would be completely eradicated.

Vice-Presidents Wyndham Mortimer and Ed Hall did not campaign for board posts in a continuation of the unifying action taken when they withdrew from their former posts.

Before breaking up into district caucuses the convention approved the following action:

1—Instructed the Executive Board to create a research department headed by an appointee of the president and subject to the approval of the board.

2—Instructed the Executive Board to create a competitive shop department which will be headed by a director selected on the basis outlined above.

3—Authorized the establishment of regional wage and hour councils.

**A typographical error in yesterday's Daily Worker stated that the CIO Automobile Workers convention represented 75,000 unionists. This figure should have read 375,000.**

## SEC to Probe Secret Utility Political Funds

WASHINGTON, April 6 (UP).—The Securities and Exchange Commission today ordered a hearing April 24 on charges that the Union Electric Co. of Missouri made secret political contributions and filed "false and misleading" statements with the SEC.

Trial Examiner James G. Ewell, who will preside at the hearing, was directed to ascertain if the company had violated the Public Utility Holding and Securities and Exchange Acts.

## New Auto Union Chiefs

ACKNOWLEDGING THE CHEERS of the delegates to the United Auto Workers, CIO, special convention are R. J. Thomas (left), elected President of the union, and George F. Addes, Secretary-Treasurer.

## Stimson Urges U. S. Help Halt War Axis

### United States Must Drop Neutrality to Be Effective Peace Force, Statesman Tells Senate Committee as Hearings Open; Baruch to Testify

By Adam Lapin
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 5.—Former Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today that drastic and speedy revision of the Neutrality Act so as to hit at aggressor nations is a vital part of national defense.

In solemn tones he warned that should we permit the Act to remain on the books unchanged we would strengthen the aggressor and help create a situation "which would make the United States the next victim of aggression."

At the opening session of the long-awaited hearings on the pending amendments to the Neutrality Act, Stimson declared that the issue involved "is perhaps not so much a problem of foreign policy as a problem of national defense in a novel emergency."

"We are not sitting down," he said, "to draft peacefully and philosophically a code of behavior for normal times but to consider how we can best make the United States safe—or as safe as possible—in a totally novel and critical situation."

BACKS THOMAS AMENDMENTS

Stimson bluntly told the 23 members of the powerful Senate committee that the fascist axis threatens Western civilization with "the gravest danger with which it has been confronted for four centuries."

As an immediate way of meeting the situation, the Secretary of State in the Hoover administration urged enactment of the amendment introduced by Senator Elbert D. Thomas, of Utah, to permit the President, with approval of a majority of Congress, to declare an embargo on an aggressor while aiding the victim of aggression.

Although he said that he favored greater discretionary powers for

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## CIO Parley Hits Legislative False Economy

### 150 Union Heads Attend Sessions at Transport Workers Hall

More than 150 presidents, secretaries and legislative representatives of CIO unions in New York City met last night at Transport Hall, 153 W. 64th St., to unite forces for a drive to prevent reduction of city appropriations at the expense of "vital social services."

The delegates unanimously adopted a resolution on the city budget in which they commended Mayor LaGuardia "for his courage in eliminating from the budget useless patronage jobs in the city clerk's office, for the elimination of the lunacy committee and for his sponsorship of state legislation bringing salaries and positions in courts and county offices under the control of the city."

The delegates urged the city administration to urge the state legislature to kill the proposed sales tax and adopted a resolution opposing any reduction in state aid for education or relief.

## Tory Democrats Join GOP to Attack NLRB

WASHINGTON, April 5.—Ignoring pleas of Party whips, reactionary House Democrats joined with Republicans today in demanding an investigation of the National Labor Relations Board.

Rep. Eugene E. Cox, D., Ga., veteran leader of the Southern Conservative bloc and foe of WPA appropriations, excoriated the board in an hour-long speech, accusing it of favoring employes over employers.

"It is even claimed," he said, "that the board and its various employes have the opportunities and authority of their official position to promote the organizing efforts of the Congress of Industrial Organizations."

Cox hinted that he would withdraw his insistence upon an investigation if the House Labor Committee would "promptly open hearings on proposed amendments to the Wagner Act." Thus far the committee has refused to yield to demands by the A. F. of L. council and a score of business-Industrial organizations for hearings on Wagner Act amendments.

Cox thrust his proposal before the Chamber as a controversy raged in the rules committee over the resolution of Rep. Arthur C. Anderson, D., Mo., to appropriate $50,000 for an inquiry into operation of the NLRB.

Cox, a key figure in the fight last year to scuttle President Roosevelt's original government reorganization bill, heads forces in the committee which seek to force a favorable recommendation on the resolution. It calls for an inquiry into the "fitness" of NLRB administrators, the Board's part in diminishing or increasing labor disputes, and desirability of amending the Wagner Act. A joint committee of 10 investigators would conduct the inquiry.

Administration forces planned stout defense of the NLRB, which insists its conduct is above reproach, pointing to repeated private investigations by magazines and economists which uphold its course of action.

## New Deal To Fight 50 Million Relief Slash

### Committee Approves $100,000,000 Bill; Battle Looms

WASHINGTON, April 5 (UP).—A Senate Appropriations Sub-Committee unanimously approved today a $100,000,000 emergency relief bill—$50,000,000 less than President Roosevelt requested.

The Senate Sub-Committee reported the House bill favorably and its action was upheld unanimously a few hours later by the full committee. Leaders will make an attempt to bring the measure up for action tomorrow.

Forces headed by Sen. Claude Pepper, D., Fla., will make an attempt to increase the appropriation by $50,000,000 or $25,000,000 from the floor.

Estimates of the number of persons who will have to be stricken from WPA rolls as result of the reduced appropriation varied tonight. President Roosevelt was quoted at Warm Springs, Ga., as telling newspapermen the cut would affect 480,000 persons before the start of the new fiscal year on July 1.

The Administration's estimate that 850,000 have been certified as eligible for relief was challenged by Sen. James F. Byrnes, D., S. C., and other committeemen. They took the stand that it is impossible now to determine how many of those certified actually are in need and entitled to relief.

Meantime, the House voted $25,000 to initiate the investigation of WPA to be made by the House Appropriations Committee.

Conservative members of the House predicted that WPA as now operated would not exist after June 30. The prediction was based on belief that the investigation of WPA by a House Appropriations Sub-Committee would result in complete revamping of the relief agency.

## AFL-CIO Unity Talks Suspend For Present

### Resumption Depends on Coal Negotiations, Says Miss Perkins

**WASHINGTON, April 5 (UP).—Labor Department officials said today that Secretary Frances Perkins understood that peace discussions between the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations would be resumed after negotiations for a new coal miners' contract have been concluded.**

President John L. Lewis of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, yesterday announced that he, and Matthew Woll, who represents the negotiating committee of the A. F. of L., had agreed to postpone further unity conference to another "mutually satisfactory date."

Mr. Lewis said the postponement had to be arranged because he and his associates involved in the peace negotiations, must devote their attention to the present bituminous coal contract conferences which are at a crucial stage, and hearings on Wagner Act amendments scheduled in Washington on April 11.

In addition, the Anthracite coal contract expires on April 30, and negotiations for that contract begin here on April 10.

WOLL "EASILY AGREES"

Mr. Lewis said that in view of those reasons, Mr. Woll "easily agreed" to the postponement. He laid special emphasis on the word "easily." It was understood that when the pressure of the present duties upon the CIO leaders is relieved, Mr. Lewis will telephone Mr. Woll on setting an acceptable date for the next conference.

Questions on the status of the peace negotiations brought no comment from Mr. Lewis.

**"All I can say is that we agreed to postpone them until a mutually satisfactory date," he said.**

The seventh of the series of unity conferences which were arranged on initiative of President Roosevelt, took place Tuesday night at Hotel Biltmore. After being locked in for four hours, the four A. F. of L. and three CIO conferees, made no comment, but announced that the next meeting was set for 8:30 P.M. on the following day. That meeting is now postponed

# ROME-BERLIN WAR STAFFS MEET; BRITAIN MANS AIR, SEA DEFENSES, TO DISCLOSE POLISH PACT TODAY

### Mutual Assistance Is Agreed on Between London, Warsaw

### U.S. ENVOY NOTIFIED

### Chamberlain Confirms Stanhope Report of Raid Precautions

LONDON, April 5 (UP).—British warships and planes manned for "all eventualities" tonight patrolled the North Sea and Channel coasts after Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain revealed that Great Britain is fully armed against any lightning attack that might come from the continent.

Chamberlain assured the House of Commons that Britain is in "constant readiness for all eventualities," including any possible attack by air or underseas on the British Isles during what he described as the present "time of tension."

The government also announced that 1,000 British merchant ships were being armed with anti-aircraft and anti-submarine guns "to meet all expected requirements" and form a second line of naval defense.

POLISH PACT AGREED

Great Britain and Poland tonight agreed on a mutual defense pact—a keystone of the "Stop Hitler" drive. Polish Ambassadar Edward Raczynski said that Chamberlain would make formal announcement of the alliance in Commons Thursday.

The formal treaty, it was understood, will be signed either in London or Warsaw later and will be accompanied by a secret understanding regarding actual cases of aggression which would bring it into operation. The Polish delegates denied that any agreement had been reached between Poland and Nazi Germany regarding the Free City of Danzig.

Chamberlain's statement in Commons was in explanation of the political furore caused by a Tuesday night announcement by Earl Stanhope, First Lord of the Admiralty, that men of the navy had been ordered to man British fleet anti-aircraft guns.

CONFIRMS STANHOPE

Chamberlain admitted that he had asked British newspapers to suppress Lord Stanhope's statement "because it seemed likely to be treated as a sensational matter," mildly rebuked the Admiraly Lord and then proceeded to confirm what Stanhope had said.

The agreement on the Polish-British mutual defense pact, aimed directly at Hitler, constituted an expansion of the Anglo-French pledge of military aid to Poland given last week in a move designed to prevent any Nazi coup against the Poles.

The agreement was reached at a meeting in Chamberlain's private

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ALBANIA, IN the forefront of the news as a new Italian invasion threatens, is key to next war bloc moves on Yugoslavia and Greece. Other objective of the Rome-Berlin axis attack is Poland, which yesterday signed a defensive pact with Great Britain.

## Rome Orders Italians To Evacuate Albania

### Tiny Kingdom to Fight If Mussolini Carries Out Invasion

**TIRANA, Albania, Thursday, April 6 (UP).—Albania early today was reported to be rushing arms and reinforcements to the seaport of Valona, 45 miles across the Straits of Otranto from Southeastern Italy, to resist a threatened occupation of this tiny Adriatic kingdom by Italian armed forces.**

TIRANA, Albania, April 5 (UP).—All Italian residents of Albania tonight were leaving the country on orders from Rome as reports spread that Italian armed forces were about to attempt an occupation. Albanian troops, it was said, were determined to resist.

It was learned authoritatively that the Italian evacuation, applying to all but the diplomatic staff, would continue throughout tonight and Thursday morning.

The evacuation supposedly was ordered in anticipation of possible resistance to Italy's reported intention of "occupying" this impoverished nation of 1,00,000 people and 10,629 square miles.

King Archmed Zog summoned his cabinet into emergency session and tension gripped Tirana and other cities.

There were unconfirmed reports that extensive military precautions already had been taken along the Adriatic coast and that the Alba-

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## Italy Likely To Move Today Into Albania

### Yugoslavs Call Special Cabinet Meeting on Crisis

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, April 5 (UP).—Italian sources here said that Italian troops would begin occupation at once of "at least a part" of Albania and other reports indicated that the Albanian government might resist such an attempt.

Italy was said to be anxious to occupy several of Albania's leading cities, ports and airdromes in an effort to counter-balance the strength of British bases in the neighborhood of Greece.

Italian sources predicted a swift climax in the situation.

The Yugoslav cabinet was convened at 11:20 P.M., supposedly to discuss measures of safeguarding the nation's interests in event of an Italian occupation of Albania to the south.

The convening of the cabinet at such an hour was a most unusual move. It was taken as an indication of the grave view which the government has of the reports from Rome and Tirana.

Reports that Italian troops already had landed on the Albanian coast could not be verified.

## Britain, Paris Ask Franco on Italian Troops

### Joint Representation Made on Reports of Resumed Activity

HENDAYE, French-Spanish Frontier, April 5 (UP).—Resumption of Italian military activity in Spain, especially in the vicinity of Alicante, has provoked a common British-French representation to Burgos to determine General Francisco Franco's intentions regarding his foreign troops.

The Italian Littorio Division trapped 12,000 Spanish Republicans waiting at Alicante for possible embarkation on neutral ships. Eight thousand surrendered and the remaining 4,000 were being hunted down by Franco police, backed by Italian troops.

Reliable reports said 4,500 additional troops landed at Cadiz last week, coincident with Franco's communique declaring the war at an end.

Britain and France, disturbed by these incidents, asked Franco's government at Burgos — which both recognized weeks ago as the legal government of Spain — for an explanation in the light of Franco's pledge to evacuate Italian troops "when the war is over."

## Mussolini Phones Hitler On Joint Military Moves

ROME, April 5 (UP).—Mussolini and Hitler were understood tonight to have conferred by telephone on means of opposing Europe's anti-aggression bloc, including the tightening of Italy's grip on Albania.

Mussolini continued to concentrate infantry, artillery and warplanes at the heel of the Italian boot, 45 miles across the Adriatic Straits of Otranto from Albania, for a possible occupation of the little kingdom of King Achmed Zog.

British diplomats heard that Mussolini informed Albania several days ago that he intended to land troops there, but that the Albanians called up all available armed forces and threatened to fight. As a result Italy asked King Zog to enter into consultations.

Mussolini's objectives in Albania, aimed at preventing Jugoslavia and Greece from joining the "Stop Hitler" movement, were reported to include:

1—Establishment of air bases.

2—Creation of an Italian gendarmerie in Albania which actually would be army of occupation.

3—Selection of Italians for key posts as "advisors" to King Zog's government.

REPORT ON TALKS

Mussolini and Hitler in their telephone conversation were said to have agreed on:

1—Extended "precautionary" military measures which the Italian War Ministry already has adopted, involving not only Albania but African Libya and the strategic Dodecanese Islands near Turkey.

2.—Concerted action in event political developments in Europe impel the Rome-Berlin axis partners to take swift action.

The only information regarding Mussolini's moves toward Albania came from fascist quarters because the only official news from Albania in 36 hours has been the announcement of the birth of a son to Queen Geraldine and a denial of reports abroad that Italy was pressuring

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### Axis High Command of Armies Meet to Map Next Aggression

### ITALY BUYS ARMS

### French Air Minister in London to Confer on Joint Defense

**SUMMARY**

**LONDON.—Britain is prepared for "lightning attack" as assistance pact is signed with Poland.**

**BERLIN.—Nazi, Italian General Staffs plot next military moves of war axis in Polish and Mediterranean crises.**

**ROME.—Mussolini in telephone conference with Hitler on steps against anti-aggression bloc.**

**TIRANA.—Albania reported moving troops to resist Italian invasion.**

**BELGRADE.—Reports say Italians may move against Albania any hour; move seen threat to Jugoslavia and Greece.**

**WASHINGTON.—Ex-Secretary of State Stimson urges dropping of Neutrality Act to place United States firmly beside democratic peace bloc at Senate committee hearings.**

**PARIS.—French send troops to strengthen Syria garrison.**

**ROME, April 5 (UP). — The Italian government tonight issued a communique confirming the meeting of leaders of the Italian and German general staffs at Innsbruck, but did not disclose any details of matters under discussion.**

BERLIN, April 5 (UP). — The chiefs of the German and Italian general staffs today began military consultations at Innsbruck, Austria 20 miles from the Italian border, as Nazi leaders spoke of impending action.

An official announcement said that the Italo-German staff consultations, generally believed to be concerned with axis preparations to strike at Europe's "Stop Hitler" drive, would continue for two days.

The nature of the conversations was not officially revealed, however.

Attending the consultations at Innsbruck in the Austrian Tyrol are Col. Gen. Wilhelm Keitel, chief of the German high command, General Alberto Pariani, Italian Under-Secretary of War and chief of the army staff, and Marshal Pietro Badoglio, chief of the Italian general staff.

Disclosure of the meeting of the Italian and German military leaders followed alarming reports of Italian troop movements along the Adriatic coast in what was feared might be the prelude to a fascist coup againt Albania.

NO MERE FORMALITY

Although German and Italian military leaders have been exchanging visits for some time, it was the first instance of a formal announcement of consultations.

Nazi observers believed that the Innsbruck meeting was more than a routine exchange of information and might lead to far-reaching plans of military cooperation, particularly in view of reports that Italy is preparing to land troops in Albania.

There was speculation that Germany and Italy purposely had announced the Innsbruck consultations as an answer to the Franco-British general staff consultations which have been speeded up in the last 10 days.

As result of Poland's decision today to enter into a military al-

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## France Moves To Reinforce Syrian Garrison

PARIS, April 5 (UP).—France ordered several troop detachments to reinforce its garrison of 1,500 men at Alexandretta, Syria, today and dispatched a warship to patrol the area during conversations with Turkey looking toward ceding the region to that country. France and Turkey now have co-dominion over Alexandretta.

The French move to surrender the area to Turkey was understood to have for its object winning Turkey to participation in the European anti-aggression bloc.

# Argentine Raids Confirm Hitler's Threat of Grab

### Police Comb Many Nazi Agencies, Hold Leaders of German Organizations; Signature of Berlin Agent on Document Verified

BUENOS AIRES, April 5 (UP).—Information obtained by police raids and arrests during the past 24 hours today spurred government investigation of a Nazi plot to annex Patagonia, in Southern Argentina, to Germany.

Headquarters of the Argentine Nazi organization on the fourth floor of the German Bank of South America building were searched and several documents were confiscated. Raids also were made on the German Social and Cultural Club in suburban Villa Devoto and the headquarters of the German Society in Belgrano.

Reports of the presence in Cordoba Province of armed and uniformed groups alleged to be Nazis caused a sensation here tonight as the government pressed its investigation of a purported German plot to annex Patagonia.

Several persons, among them Albert Muller, described as head of the Nazi movement in Argentina, were held for questioning by Dr. Gache Piran, secretary of Federal Judge Miguel Jantus, who is in charge of the investigation.

Enrique Jurges, said to have been a former secretary to Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels, Nazi Propaganda Minister, was re-arrested only a few hours after he had been freed. Jurges disclosed the Nazi documents disclosing Patagonia, which were published last week in the independent newspaper, Noticias Graficas, reportedly in revenge for the deaths of his wife and her mother at the hands of the Gestapo (Nazi Secret Police) after he fled Germany.

#### SEE STRAINED RELATIONS

The reason for his re-arrest was not explained, although it was understood he had previously been taken into custody at his own request for protection.

While pro-Nazi newspapers denounced the purported plot as "cooked up by the United States," anti-fascist groups forecast that if the alleged conspiracy is borne out by documents seized in the police raids, diplomatic relations between this country and the Reich will be severely strained.

Another place searched by the police was the apartment where Muller lived in a building owned by Ricardo Staudt, a wealthy German-Argentine who presented to Argentina the building in Berlin in which this Republic's embassy is located. Many documents and much literature were seized and, according to the authorities, Muller's signature on the facsimile of the Patagonia documents published in Noticias Graficas had been verified by handwriting experts. The original of the facsimile was alleged to have been sent to the German Foreign Office in Berlin with pertinent information regarding Patagonia's defenses, industry, finance, commerce and resources. The information was supposed to have been compiled by various German organizations in Argentina and submitted to the German Embassy and Muller for transmission to Berlin.

The summary of the report said Argentina had abandoned Patagonia and that it was "nobody's land and we can annex it."

## Franco Agents Deported From Mexico

### Cardenas Acts Against 3 Fascist Leaders After Demonstration

MEXICO CITY, April 5 (UP).—Three Spanish Falangist (fascist) leaders today were placed aboard the Ward liner Siboney at Vera Cruz and deported from Mexico under orders of President Lazaro Cardenas.

The trio, Alejandro Villanueva, Inspector General of the Spanish Falange in America, Jose Celorio Artega and Genaro Riestra, were seized here last night after an outbreak of anti-Franco disorders in front of the Casino Espanol, and taken to Vera Cruz at once. They were charged with engaging in political activities "in flagrant violation" of Mexican laws and were ordered expelled from the country.

Villanueva came here from Havana recently on a tour of inspection, while Celorio and Riestra, his chief aides, had lived in the country for several years.

The Siboney touches at Havana but it was believed likely the Falangists would continue to New York.

## Rome-Berlin General Staff In Conference

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liance with Britain, the Anglo-French staff consultations will be extended immediately to include Poland. British statesmen said the British - Polish pact would be as strong and far-reaching as Poland's 1921 military pact with France.

French Air Minister Guy La Chambre returned to Paris today from defense consultations in London. Viscount Gort, chief of the British Imperial General Staff, conferred with French military leaders in Paris last week on joint measures and inspected France's Maginot Line of fortifications.

Diplomatic circles in recent days have heard of large shipments of German artillery across the Tyrol into Italy, supposedly to strengthen Italy's defenses not only on the mainland but in Libya and the Dodecanese.

Field Marshal Hermann Wilhelm Goering, No. 2 Nazi and commander in Chief of the air force, is expected to leave the Italian resort of San Remo within 24 hours for Libya to inspect Italian military works adjoining French Tunisia.

Nazi Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels is at Rhodes in the Dodecanese.

Nazi political leaders said, in this connection, that there appeared to be no possibility of Italy withdrawing Italian soldiers from Spain during the existing international tension.

## London Will Disclose Polish Pact Today

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chambers in the House of Commons, attended by the Prime Minister, Polish Foreign Minister Joseph Beck, Ambassador Raczynski, Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax, Sir Alexander Cadogan of the British Foreign Office and William Strang, head of the foreign office's Central European Division.

"Chamberlain will read a statement in the House of Commons Thursday noon on which we have mutually agreed," Raczynski said.

#### U. S. HEARS TERMS

This evening U. S. Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy, keeping abreast of the hour-by-hour developments in Europe, conferred with Beck at the Claridges Hotel and was understood to have been told the contents of the military alliance.

The British Cabinet approved the alliance at a meeting earlier in the day.

As the military alliance was agreed upon word reached London of new disorders in the Nazi-dominated Free City of Danzig which, with the Polish Corridor, constitutes the crux of the Nazi menace to Poland.

Two Nazis were injured seriously in a clash with Poles in the Danzig suburb of Langfuhr last night. Polish business men arriving in Warsaw from Danzig said that young Nazis in demonstrations had smashed windows of the Polish official press agency offices, the Polish Community House and a Polish School.

Beck was understood to have made it clear that Poland is anxious to assure the independence of Rumania, which also has been offered a British guarantee of military aid to resist aggression

## Mussolini, Hitler Talk On War Move

### Confer on Invasion of Albania; Joint Military Action

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Albania to accept a fascist "protectorate."

The Albanian minister to Rome, Zef Sereggi, returned by airplane this afternoon from Tirana and conferred with officials of the Foreign office. He was believed to have brought new instructions from King Zog regarding the 1927 alliance.

#### JUGOSLAVIA ACTS

French diplomats reported that Jugoslavia had made informal inquiries of France regarding the "stop Hitler" program and the Italian gestures toward Albania. Officials in Belgrade were said to have been in communication with Paris several times during the day.

(In Paris the semi-official newspaper Le Temps said that Italian military occupation of Albania would mean a fascist attempt to expand in the Balkans parallel to the Nazi expansion in Central Europe, but that "it would be much more difficult for Italy" because the Balkan Entente—Rumania, Jugoslavia, Turkey and Greece—would resist).

French diplomats believed that the publicity given to the reports of Italian troop concentrations at Bari and Brindisi might have upset Mussolini's plans for a swift coup.

Britain has warned Italy that Italian occupation of Albania might upset the Adriatic status quo and conflict with the Italo-British pact concluded last November.

## Rome Orders Italians to Leave Albania

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nian army of about 14,000 men were in readiness.

Anxious crowds gathered in the streets, while small detachments of Albanian soldiers patrolled the streets, following demonstrations for independence.

Italian business men sent their families home by boat and plane. Italian chambermaids left by the scores.

Many well-informed foreign observers believed that an Italian invasion would be resisted.

Some observers were convinced that the government already has decided to fight if the Italians land.

Italian residents were leaving the country in large numbers.

Reports persisted that extensive military precautions already were being taken along the Albanian coast, 45 miles from the Italian ports of Bari and Brindisi where Mussolini was reported to be concentrating between 20,000 and 30,000 troops.

Albania's military measures were being carried out with extreme secrecy, however.

Tirana's leading hotel closed during the day as result of the departure of the Italian proprietor and his Italian staff.

It was officially admitted that consultations were underway on proposals to strengthen the Italo-Albanian mutual defense alliance signed in November, 1927, but rumors indicated that the negotiations had encountered difficulties.

Italy, it was rumored, had advanced demands more extensive than the Albanian government would accept.

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# Stimson Urges U. S. Help Halt War Axis

### United States Must Drop Neutrality to Be Effective Peace Force, Statesman Tells Senate Committee as Hearings Open; Baruch to Testify

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the President, Stimson indicated that he considered the Thomas proposal "satisfactory."

The large marble-lined caucus room in the Senate Office Building was crowded with spectators when Chairman Key Pittman of the Foreign Relations Committee opened the hearings. Practically every Senator was in his place at the long table in front of the room. Many photographers and movie camera men were present.

Pittman urged speed in conducting the hearings so that action could be taken by May 1 when the cash-and-carry provision of the Neutrality Act expires. He added that it would be difficult to revise the Act once war got under way.

#### BARUCH SPEAKS TODAY

Stimson was the first witness. He will be followed tomorrow by Bernard Baruch, chairman of the War Industries Board in the World War. Representatives of labor and peace organizations are also expected to testify.

Again and again Stimson tangled with isolationist members of the committee. He more than held his own in repeated encounters with Senators Hiram Johnson, R., of California, William E. Borah, R., of Idaho, and Robert Reynolds, D., of North Carolina, who, true to form, defended the fascist dictators against criticism.

Sneering at the Soviet Union, and expressing his belief that it is not a "democracy," Senator Johnson asked:

"Suppose England and France and Russia were to enter the field, would you have entered the war on their side?"

"Not unless there was a danger to us," Stimson retorted, "and then I'd do it mighty quick. I'd get as many friends as I could on my side provided they could shoot straight."

#### "SHOULDN'T WAIT"

At another point he declared that the United States "shouldn't wait" until the fascist powers "had killed off the last nation between us and safety."

Stimson bitterly attacked the Neutrality Act in its application to the Japanese invasion of China and the Italian and German invasion of Spain.

He charged that the Neutrality Act "compels us to treat alike the peaceful and suffering people of China and their militaristic enemies who by conquest are trying to turn China into a reservoir of potential future aggression against the rest of the world.

#### HAMPERED LOYALISTS

"Recently," he continued, "we found that by depriving the Loyalist Government of Spain of the right to buy arms for defending itself against the rebels who were being supported by Mussolini and Hitler, it made a strong factor in the overthrow of the very government which the United States had recognized as legitimate."

Then Stimson warned that, "should a general war come in Europe this Spring, this Neutrality Act might put us in the position of facilitating a result of that war which would make the United States the next victim of attack."

In response to a question from Senator Borah, Stimson said that the trouble with the Neutrality Act is "that it's a little like playing poker when your own hand is open and all the other hands are concealed."

"It is the rigidity of the Act which seems to me its chief danger," he said. "I believe that in all such laws the President should have more discretion. I am a Republican and the present administration is Democratic, but I have always tried to limit my partisanship in the zone of foreign affairs."

Stimson said he was not "impressed with the fact that in that zone Presidential discretion is likely to be abused."

"The best we can do," he said, "is to draw a law defining broad policies and give to the President the power to adjust them to world events and changing circumstances. If necessary, you might give Congress the power of approval."

Of the Thomas amendments, Stimson said that he thought they "should satisfy my objections to the present Act."

#### ABOUT "PUNISHMENT"

Senator Henrik Shipstead of Minnesota, who returned from Germany last Fall sympathetic to Nazi aggression, asked angrily how Stimson would "punish" aggressor nations.

"I didn't say anything about punishment," Stimson retorted. "I would cease to assist in aggression. As a policy for the United States, that might mean a lot."

Pointing to the great quantities of scrap iron and other vital materials which Japan buys from the United States, Stimson half-rose from his chair and said:

"If it would be a punishment to deprive Japan of these advantages, I am in favor of the punishment."

#### REYNOLDS DEMOLISHED

The former cabinet member was at his best in demolishing Senator Reynolds who put forward his familiar thesis that the real aggressors are England and France and not Germany and Italy.

Reynolds asked Stimson if there is "anything taking place in the world that imperils the safety of the United States.

"Many things," Stimson said, and emphasized the threat involved in the upsetting of all international law and order.

"Do you think there is any danger that Hitler and Mussolini will attack the United States in the next six months?" Reynolds asked in a loud voice.

"Not in the next six months," Stimson said, smiling.

"In the next six years?" Reynolds asked.

#### SUPPORTS PEACE MOVES

"I wouldn't be so sure that they wouldn't" Stimson said gravely, and Reynolds discontinued this line of questioning.

"Do you think we should encourage England, France and Russia in their present undertaking?" Reynolds asked.

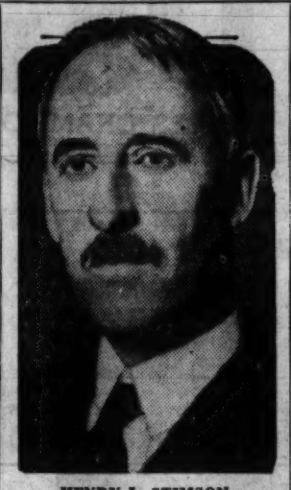
"I think we should not discourage them by the thought that we would not under circumstances help them," Stimson said.

"Isn't it a fact that we are encouraging them?" Reynolds persisted.

"I am glad to say that something is being done to discourage aggression," Stimson shot back.

Assailing the policies of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo axis, Stimson said:

"They have adopted as their most conspicuous foreign policy a system of aggressive action against their neighbors. To that end they have developed a very skilful technique which during the past few years



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they have been practicing with great success.

"Under the name of unilateral action they have proceeded to tear up all the net of promises, treaties, and codes which had been adopted under the old system of mutual respect and which stood in the way of their own aggrandizement.

"Threats, aggression, and treaty violation have gone hand in hand as the interlocking elements of their system. In succession the attacks, all in violation of former treaties and of international law, upon Manchuria, North China, South China, Ethiopia, Spain, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Lithuania have made clear the revolutionary nature of the change."

Stimson warned that "the problem is further complicated by the fact these three powerful nations occupy strategically very favorable positions for their attacks upon most of their peace-loving neighbors. If there were only one of them, the problem for the whole world would not be so serious.

"But the three are acting skillfully together and geography has placed them with such relations to the lines of communications and the consequent national defense of the other nations as to make common action in such defense practically imperative."

#### LATIN AMERICAN DANGER

"We only have to read about some of the occurrences to the south of us to realize that even we are within the zone of their orbit," Stimson said.

He declared that all these new developments had made the "ancient slogan" of neutrality "look a little shopworn.

"Too many Americans have been brought up to think that in case of trouble in the world it wouldn't be necessary for us to do anything but sit still and let nature take its course. It looks a little differently now. The axis is moving too rapidly and the world has become far too small and interconnected."

After pointing to the tremendous resources of the United States, Stimson said:

"For the past two years we have been busy using these matchless resources to a very large part to stimulate the activities and aggressions of our potential enemies.

#### WHICH WAY?

"That does not strike me as a very intelligent behavior. I know that it is sometimes said that an economic weapon is a dangerous one. In the case of ourselves, I doubt its truth. If it is, we are certainly in a safer position to use it than any other country in the world.

"And when it comes to the danger of irritating aggressor nations, why the mere fact that we are a democracy irritates the axis.

"Economic action would do no more and it has the possibility of most restraint, for after all the chief hope of today lies in the fact that each of the three members of the axis are in a notoriously vulnerable economic condition."

# Belgian Poll Is Demand for Anti-Nazi Resistance

### Pravda, Soviet Press, Says Defeat of Rexists, Loss of Socialist Vote Shows People's Insistence on Stand Against Fascists

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, April 5.—"The masses of the Belgian people showed in last Sunday's elections that they oppose the accomplices of the Nazis in domestic as well as in foreign affairs," Pravda comments today on the defeat of the Rexists and the reduction of the Socialist vote in Belgium.

"The Parliamentary elections brought very symptomatic results: 1) the biggest defeat of the Rexists, or Belgian fascists, who are the open Nazi agency in Belgium. 2) the loss of votes by the Socialists. These losses are the unquestionable direct results of the pro-fascist policy followed by P. H. Spaak and his aides in the leadership of the Belgian Socialist Party, a policy contradictory to the national interests of the Belgian people.

"Belgian public opinion demonstrates its desire for resistance to the fascist war instigators and their open and covert accomplices."

#### CRISIS INTENSIFIED

Where has the pro-fascist course of the now-ousted Spaak led to? Pravda asks. "In the domestic affairs of the country it has led to serious repercussions. The economic crisis is intensifying in Belgium.

"In foreign policy the notorious 'non-intervention' and 'voluntary neutrality' stand has merely facilitated the intensification of the pressure on Belgium by Nazi Germany. Under cover of this 'neutrality' policy, which in reality means encouragement of the aggressor, the Nazis are spying and carrying on subversive activity in Belgium.

"Munich and the events which followed gave all small countries an instructive lesson. The people of these countries saw with their own eyes that the big 'democratic' powers, more accurately speaking, Britain and France, regard the small states as small change in their bargaining with the fascist aggressors.

"London's offer of the Belgian Congo as small change in the colonial dickering with its German rival was not without a basis."

Pravda concludes: "Only by consistent collective security, organized with the collaboration of all peace-desiring countries, can the small countries, including Belgium, protect their independence from the fascist aggressors."

## Lebrun Again Gets French Presidency

### Re-Elected to 7-Year Term at Session of National Assembly

VERSAILLES, April 5 (UP).—Albert Lebrun, 14th President of the Third Republic, was re-elected to a seven-year term today at a noisy session of the National Assembly of France.

Jean Jeanneney, Senate President, announced Lebrun's election on the first ballot by the combined Chamber of Deputies and Senate.

Senator Marcel Cachin was the Communist candidate, receiving their 74 votes, and M. Bedouce polled the Socialist vote.

A few others, including Edouard Herriot, President of the Chamber, received scattered votes. Lebrun took 506 of the 910 votes cast.

All Socialists and Communists, many Radical-Socialists and some nationalists voted against Lebrun, who was supported by almost the entire Senate.

The formal ceremony of informing Lebrun of his election will occur at Elysee Palace tomorrow at 11 A.M.

## Swiss Decree Compulsory Military Duty

### Order Extends to All Men Under 60 Who Are Physically Fit

BERNE, Switzerland, April 5 (UP).—The Swiss Federal Council tonight issued a decree extending compulsory military service to able-bodied men up to 60 years of age

All men physically unfit for front line duty will be liable to conscription in a new auxiliary service, the Federal Council said.

A special appeal was made to men over 33, who have completed their terms of compulsory service in the national militia, to enroll in the auxiliary service and enable the government to rush every able-bodied citizen into the frontier fortifications on short notice.

Switzerland has no standing army and is dependent upon the National Militia, into which all men are required to serve annual terms. Heretofore all men between the ages of 20 and 48 have been required to serve.

The initial training is carried out in recruits' schools. The first year those in the infantry, engineers and artillery must serve 88 days and each year afterward the conscripts must serve 11 days annually.

The peacetime establishment normally under training is about 46,200 men but this figure will be increased considerably by extension of the limit from 48 to 60 years.

## Soviet Press Hails Decline in Hearst's Power

### King of Gutter Journalism Near End of Career, Says Pravda

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, April 5.—"The star of the all-powerful Hearst is setting," Pravda writes today in an article on the decline of the American press trust of William Randolph Hearst.

"The spectacular career of the notorious king of the yellow gutter press has come to an inglorious end. The newspaper-magazine 'Hearst empire' is falling apart, is on the verge of collapse.

"The fascist Hearst, who considered himself a candidate for the American 'Fuehrer,' has retired from business.

"Hearst is an enemy to the death of the working class. For scores of years he has constantly used his papers as a powerful weapon against the labor movement, to slander labor organizations and revolutionary figures, and for anti-Soviet campaigns.

"Since 1934, when Hearst went to pay his respects to Hitler, he has become an outright apologist for German fascism. Hearst supports fascist organizations in the United States. He is a friend and brother of the blackest reaction.

"Hearst is hated by the broadest circles of the American public for his fascist propaganda and falsification. This hatred of Hearst undoubtedly plays its part in his fall."

## 53 Prisoners From Franco Jails in France

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

PARIS, April 5.—Starving, clothed in filthy rags, 53 International Brigadiers crossed the bridge from Spain into France at Hendaye today. They had been prisoners in Franco's jails at Ondaretta, near San Sebastian.

Among these were 10 Britons, 32 Canadians and 11 Swiss. The Britons will be in London by tomorrow evening, and the Canadians are on their way to Le Havre, where they will await papers. The Swiss are being conducted to their homeland by a consul.

Despite repeated assurance from Franco that all prisoners would be released when recognition is granted, there is still no indication when the remainder—several hundred—will be set free. Among them are 80 Americans.

# 'I Saw Spain Betrayed'

## ART SHIELDS ESCAPES CASADO EXECUTIONERS AFTER JAILING BY TRICKING THEM TO SAFETY OF U. S. EMBASSY

By Art Shields

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

PARIS, April 5.—Contrary to published reports from Madrid, the temporary dictator Col. Segismundo Casado concealed the arrest of myself and four other anti-fascist journalists until I escaped on Monday, March 13.

I had been held incommunicado for 50 hours. United States officials did not know of my arrest until I appeared at the gates of the U. S. Embassy.

We were arrested after the siege of Communist Party National Headquarters at 6 Serrano Street. Machine gun bullets burst the windows 40 minutes after we entered the building at noon Friday, on the fifth day of the struggle. The iron gates were shut.

We were getting a different story than the political statement sought.

The tri-story structure taken from Gil Robles' Spanish Action Party took plenty of artillery pounding in the next 24 hours.

The most exciting moment was when reinforcements outside bombed and silenced five Casado machine gun nests.

Nevertheless the arrival of tanks and heavier artillery compelled surrender on Saturday afternoon, after some of the very key people had escaped.

#### CONFUSION IN STREETS

We non-combatants filed into the street amid a scene of uttermost confusion. The Casadoists were milling madly with no sembiance of discipline.

Several of them slammed us against a wall, another leaped at us, throwing a machine gun into firing position. Someone stopped him in time.

Confusion held sway at the police headquarters, where we were booked thrice and searched twice. The detectives' eyes glistened as they counted 2,700 francs which comrades lent me in Paris to cover emergency expenses.

I demanded a receipt.

"Manana," they replied. — Tomorrow.

"Manana" I demanded permission to telephone the Embassy.

American representatives, incidentally, have been unable to recover the stolen funds since.

The confusion continued at the press office, where I was kept the first 12 hours. While our stomachs were still empty, we were fed Anarchist propaganda. Three young Anarchists, revolvers at their hips, without uniforms, entered, propagandized for their creed, baited other journalists on the subject of "Communism from Russia," which they said Casado was fighting. Good-natured Heinz Massen, correspondent of the Paris Deutsche Volkszeitung, calmed them and got them smiling.

After we had a meal of raw codfish and a roll so hard it broke my bridgework, the youths reentered and talked for another hour.

#### TAKEN TO CELLS

The guards interrupted the Anarchist speech at two in the morning. They took Bertha Manchet, a Belgian correspondent, to one cell, and the men to another.

Our 5½-by-11-foot home resembled an execution chamber. Five rifle cartridges, six spent shells and a bloody rag were strewn on the floor, which was stained with red spots. Dirt and torn papers were everywhere.

The cement walls were covered with "Viva Negrin!" inscriptions dated March 9—two days previous—which the guards had tried vainly to erase.

Through the 3¾-inch ventilating holes in the door, we watched other prisoners being taken in batches Sunday from the cells, which were then refilled. I saw Rubio, the well-known anti-fascist press photographer, disappear.

A French anti-fascist prisoner joined us Sunday. He shared a roll with us. A meal of raw cod and rolls was the only other food till I escaped late Monday.

My companions were in wonderful spirits. Lying without blankets on the tile floor, Massen, Reggiani, an Italian, and Gargoff, a Bulgarian, joked and hummed songs.

It was late Monday. Almost tripping over a machine-gun blocking the corridor, we were taken upstairs before a sub-director who quizzed me about a cable from a friend to New York, of the International Labor Defense, sending greetings to Rose Baron for the purpose of tipping off friends on my arrest. His curiosity aroused, the sub-director instructed me to escort two policemen to my rooms to get my baggage.

Naturally I would not betray my anti-fascist hosts and I drove him wild, refusing to understand his queries about the address. Meanwhile a plan was forming in my mind. I indicated that I half-understood and might lead the police to the house.

#### AT THE U.S. EMBASSY

Fortunately I knew the address of the Embassy. Outside, while the senior policeman kept begging me to give him the address, I led the way downgrade along Castellano St. to the Embassy.

"Here," I said.

The policeman, instructed to get my baggage, rang the bell. I showed the porter my passport. He hastily summoned Francisco Ugarte, custodian of the building and a cultivated Spaniard.

I demanded admittance as an American citizen and journalist lawfully in Madrid. The policeman refused to release me, but when I said, "I am cold and have not eaten today, do you mind if I step inside?" Ugarte sharply rebuked the policeman, overbore them with demands for my admittance and while the elder policeman nodded, I stepped into extra-territorial protection.

Then the guards awoke and the elder followed us, begging my return, and said he would be punished. Ugarte cheerfully gave a receipt for my body.

Later that night the director of the prison insisted I was still a prisoner. But an American representative drove me to Valencia on Tuesday and I left Spain later on the British tramp steamer Burlington Combe, which was filled with refugees.

#### CASADO LIES

My escape embarrassed Casado. When a British journalist I had seen in Madrid confronted Casado with the information about my companions in prison, the dictator refused to talk. He finally promised merely to expel them from the country.

He lied. Massen, Manchet, Reggiani and Gargoff have not been heard of since. Either they were executed like hundreds of others, as Paris comrades fear, or Franco's prisoners are facing death.

It has been estimated that the Casadoists killed thousands of prisoners, including 600 taken when the Jaca headquarters was captured on Saturday.

But tens of thousands of Communists are carrying on Party work in underground Spain today.

Tomorrow I will tell the astonishing story of the refugee voyage.

# Restaurant Union Fights Judge Cotillo Anti-Picketing Rule

### Lockout of Legitimate Organizations by 'Old Russian Bear' in Favor of Fake Outfit Aided by Court Injunction

An appeal from the anti-picketing order handed down by Supreme Court Justice Salvatore A. Cotillo against two AFL unions fighting a lockout at the Old Russian Bear Restaurant, 645 Lexington Ave., will be taken immediately, the unions announced yesterday.

Cotillo handed down the picketing order Saturday on the claim that the restaurant had an agreement with a so-called American Labor Alliance, which calls itself a labor union.

The Waiters and Waitresses Union, Local 1 and the Cooks and Kitchen Workers Union, Local 89, were picketing the plant in protest against a lockout last fall. The management had a contract with the two A. F. of L. locals which it refused to continued following a shutdown during the summer months. The restaurant re-opened with a pact with the American Labor Alliance, which is not recognized as a union by A. F. of L. or CIO organizations.

**PAID $3 A WEEK**

Sam Friedman, president of Local 1, made public an affidavit from a waitress who worked in the restaurant, Marie Syadler, who charged that she was paid only $3 a week for a 56 hour week. The A. F. of L. union scale is $15 a week and the eight hour day.

Miss Stadler also accused the management of seeking to coerce her into joining the Alliance outfit.

The management originally withdrew its injunction proceedings when Justice Thomas F. Noonan, who sat in the first case, indicated that he would not grant an anti-picketing order.

Friedman charged that Cotillo's decision "is a direct attempt to thwart and hamper the normal and lawful development of legitimate trade unions.

"Under his decision, it would be possible for small outfits, labelled as trade unions, to flagrantly undersell labor with legal protection and even with the approval of out courts, under certain conditions."

## Cafeteria Union Starts Organizing Drive on Radio

Thirty young women members of the Cafeteria Employees Union, Local 302, A. F. of L., all dressed in identical waitress' uniforms distributed leaflets yesterday at nine of the busiest Automats in the city, urging patrons to eat in union shops. The Automat is non-union.

The girls, in groups of from four to ten at each of the nine stores covered, handed out 16,000 leaflets between 12 noon and 1:30 P. M. At six P. M. they covered the same stores.

The first of a series of radio programs as part of the Cafeteria Employes Union Local 302, A. F. of L. drive to organize the Automat, Bickford's and Waldorf's, only remaining non union chain cafeterias in the city, was performed last night over Station WEVD.

The A. F. of L. union will put on weekly broadcasts every Wednesday night as part of the organizing campaign. A separate organizing committee with offices at 1650 Broadway has been established.

Within the week, the union will issue signs to all union cafeterias announcing that all workers in the cafeterias are members of Local 302. Posters, newspaper advertisements, and matchboxes will be distributed throughout the city urging the public to eat in union cafeterias.

## City Furniture Shops to Close For One Hour

### Demonstration Supports Eight-Month Strike of Negro Workers

All furniture shops in the city will stop work for an hour this morning at 7 o'clock to stage a demonstration, headed by outstanding labor leaders, before the Spring Products Corp., Skillman Ave. and Austell Place, Long Island City, where 376 Negro workers have been out on strike for eight months.

The demonstration in support of the striking Negro workers follows action by workers in 48 factories who refused to handle the products of the struck firm.

The strikers, members of Local 91, United Furniture Workers, CIO, have also received the support of AFL and CIO unions and Negro organizations. The State Industrial Union Council will hold a conference April 20 to discuss plans for further aid to the strikers.

**MORE STRIKES**

Meanwhile, two other divisions of the furniture industry, the reed furniture trade and the venetian blind trade, were affected by strikes yesterday.

Local 76-B declared a strike against four reed shops, demanding renewal of an agreement which expired March 31, and improved conditions.

Local 45-B struck seven shops affiliated to the Venetian Blind Manufacturers' Association for wage increases and holidays with pay for a new agreement to substitute for the pact which expired April 1.

## Cal. Lumber Co. Reopens Plant; Issue Unsettled

WESTWOOD, Cal., April 5 (FP).—The River Lumber Co. reopened its plant on April 3 when the Lumber & Sawmill Workers (A. F. of L.) accepted part of Gov. Olson's last proposal, though the peace plan in full was voted down.

The arrangement is that all employes as of Feb. 4 are to return to work, that the company will negotiate restoration of a 17½ per cent pay cut, and that the increase—if granted—will be retroactive. This, however, does not settle the main conflict between the rival A. F. of L. and CIO unions.

Although CIO men are also going back, the question of bargaining agent is still up in the air. The International Woodworkers (CIO) have demanded that county authorities give them protection in case of any further trouble, and have denounced the oficials as hitherto "guilty of gross neglect in performing their duties."

## Guild Hits Back At Injunction In Counter Suit

### Strikers Ask Court to Curb Gangster Aides of Publisher

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, April 5.—With approximately 2,000,000 agate lines of advertising withdrawn by public opinion from the struck papers since the strike started, Dec. 5 last, the Chicago Newspaper Guild, in its 18th week of its job security strike against the Hearst Evening American and Herald and Examiner has launched a new frontal attack.

Two million agate lines are equivalent to 7,143 columns or 893 standard size pages of advertising.

The Guild has replied to the management's injunction with an injunction petition of its own through CNG Attorney Ben Meyers and American Newspaper Guild Attorney A. J. Isserman, the strikers are asking for a writ to force the Hearst management to obey the law and to halt its gangster tactics against the Guild.

The injunction plea was filed with Superior Court Judge G. Cleveland Niemeyer who, several weeks ago at the behest of Hearst granted the newspapers a drastic, un-American and anti-labor writ designed to disrupt the strike by prohibiting strike activities. Strike activities have since been accelerated, the results being waning circulation and increased advertising withdrawals from the struck papers.

In its injunction plea, the Guild asks that the management and its mercenaries be permanently enjoined "from all unlawful acts tending and calculated to destroy the Guild as collective bargaining representative of the employees; from engaging in unfair labor practices as defined by the National Labor Relation Board;" from attempting to prevent the Guild from bringing the strike to a settlement by distributing handbills, use of sound trucks and similar methods.

The Guild further calls on the court to halt the management's use of hired sluggers against the strikers and members of their families.

Hearing has been set for tomorrow. At the same time are scheduled various other pleadings in connection with legal phases of the strike. These include: the Hearst injunction, contempt citations against strikers, a plea by the Walgreen drug store to become a party to the Hearst injunction, and a change of venue plea by the Guild.

Judge Niemeyer's term of call having ended, the pleadings are to come up before Judge Charles A. Williams. Judge Williams is one of the 16 judges listed by the Guild in the venue change plea as prejudiced.

## Soft Drink Union Strikes for Wage Raises in City

(By Federated Press)

Eight hundred members of Local 368, Soft Drink Workers Union, affiliated with the Intl. Union of the United Brewery Flour Cereal & Soft Drink Workers (A. F. of L.), struck against 46 bottling plants when employers refused to negotiate an agreement to replace the one which expired March 31.

The union demanded a $5 weekly wage increase and a 40-hour week. The existing scale is $30 for a 44- to 60-hour week. The Five-Borough Carbonated Beverage Assn. turned down these demands and flatly refused to negotiate. The George Schneider Co., employing 70 workers, has broken away from the association to sign the contract.

About 50 per cent of the local soft drink industry is affected by the strike. Other companies, among them Coca-Cola and Pepsi-Cola, are under union contracts until 1941.

## New Deal Victor Votes

RECORD VOTE swept Chicago's Mayor Edward J. Kelly back into office in a smashing New Deal success. Mayor Kelly is shown at the polls with Mrs. Kelly.

## Two Tots Walk Back Into Blazing House; Both Die

### Youngsters, Rescued After Kitchen Blast, Slip Back Into Flames While Mother Saves a Third Child

NEW SALEM, N. Y., April 5 (UP).—Two small children, rescued from their blazing home, toddled back into the flames and burned to death today while their mother was snatching a third child from its crib.

The victims were Michael Van Auken, 3, and Andrew, 18 months.

Mrs. Van Auken had seized Michael and Andrew under her arms and rushed out doors after an explosion in her kitchen. She then broke a window and re-entered to rescue the third child. While her attention was thus diverted the other two went back into the flames. State police recovered their bodies.

## Two-Day Old Laundry Strike Settled by CIO

### Employers to Arbitrate Dispute with Union's Joint Board

A two-day strike against the Standard Steam Laundry, Standard Shirt Laundry and Henry Levine Linen Service Supply, all at 11 Sheriff St., Manhattan, ended yesterday when the employers agreed to arbitrate their dispute with the Laundry Workers' Joint Board, CIO.

The union, an affiliate of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, accused the firm of locking out the workers. Herman Brickman, impartial chairman of the industry, will act on the union's charges.

The Joint Board said the employers coerced their workers to join the AFL in order to retain their jobs, although the firms have been under contract with the CIO union since September, 1937. Although closed shop agreements with the CIO union are still in effect, the firms signed an agreement with the AFL, the union charged.

The CIO union is demanding that all workers be reinstated, paid for time lost and that damages be paid to the union to cover costs involved in the dispute.

## IWO Recruits 13,500 Members In Campaign

The International Workers Order has added 13,500 new members to its rapidly growing ranks since the beginning of the year when a campaign for 50,000 recruits was started.

Starting slowly with 400 new members in the first week, the drive picked up power with each succeeding week, advancing to 900, then to 1,000 until during the last week ending March 24 a total of 1,602 new members joined the I. W. O.

All districts and lodges of the Order are now engaged in the last intensive efforts to wind up the campaign with thousands of new members joining in the remaining weeks.

## Architects To Be Chosen for Low-Rent City Program

The New York City Housing Authority, it was announced by its chairman, Alfred Rheinstein, appointed a distinguished committee, consisting of Messrs. George McAneny, Gilmore C. Clarke and Jay Downer, to select architects for future low rent housing projects in New York City. Eleven groups of three architects each were selected, subject to change if the program does not develop as now anticipated.

## Hollywood Acts to Defend Wagner Act

### Groups Unite Against Walsh Amendment; Sign Telegrams

Many prominent Hollywood people are behind the campaign to defend the Wagner Labor Relations Act and to defeat the Walsh Amendments and all other amendments which would weaken or destroy the effectiveness of this legislation.

Signatures to a telegram which will be sent to President Roosevelt and to each member of the House and the Senate have come in from such organizations as the Motion Picture Democratic Committee, League of American Writers, Hollywood Anti-Nazi League, Screen Writers' Guild, Musicians' Democratic Committee, Screen Actors' Guild and many others too numerous to list.

A. E. Edwards, National Labor Organizer of the American League for Peace and Democracy, which is is circularizing this telegram, said that the campaign will be intensified from now until the hearings begin on April 11.

Among three thousand names received from the film capitol, Hollywood, are those of Ring Lardner, Jr., Frank Tuttle, Sam Ornitz, Ella Winter, Albert Bein, Dorothy Tree, Harold Buchman and Robert Tasker.

These names were signed to the following telegram:

"In the name of the following organizations and individuals we ask that you do all in your power to defeat the Walsh Amendments (S. 1000) to the Wagner Act and the numerous other amendments which would weaken or destroy the effectiveness of this law. The Wagner Labor Relations Act has to a large extent compelled adherence to the basic liberties guaranteed in the Constitution of the United States and has been of inestimable benefit to the American people as a whole."

The American League's objective in this campaign is to send the largest single telegram ever received in Washington, D. C., in defense of the Wagner Act. All organizations are urged to send in their lists of signatures as soon as possible.

**Every reader of the Daily Worker will influence voters at the polls. One new reader may mean four new votes for Communist candidates for City Council!**

# Tory Drive to Smear City Administration Behind WNYC Probe

### Councilman Keegan to Open Red-Baiting Hearings of Municipal Radio Station, April 19; See Board of Estimate Denying Funds

Spurred by a Court of Appeals decision giving the City Council power to investigate city departments without approval of the Mayor, Councilman Charles E. Keegan, Bronx Democrat, prepared yesterday to open his red-baiting probe of Municipal Radio Station WNYC on April 19.

Mr. Keegan, who charged that a Sunday afternoon WNYC travelogue describing life in the Soviet Union was "Communist" propaganda called a five-person councilmanic committee together at City Hall and prepared to go to work on a political smearing campaign against the city-owned network.

The councilmanic resolution authorizing the committee to investigate WNYC calls for an examination of the policies of the station to determine whether the net-work should be abolished and "dismantled."

**SMEAR CAMPAIGN**

The attack on the station was seen in political circles as part of the general old guard clubhouse campaign against the LaGuardia administration and the high cultural level of WNYC programs under the guise of "fighting Communism."

Mr. Keegan said he would call witnesses and scan records of WNYC at a star chamber committee hearing to be held in the councilmanic committee room at City Hall on April 19, at 2 P.M.

The committee has no money to go ahead, but Keegan said he would start without an appropriation. The Board of Estimate, it is believed, will not finance the probe.

Already, two attorneys, Robert Daru and Maurice Helman, have been retained by the Bronx councilman t handle the legal work of the investigation.

Keegan said he plans public hearings on WNYC "probably early in May."

The investigating committee, named in the council resolution, is packed three to two against WNYC. It includes Mr. Keegan, chairman; William M. McCarthy and Hugh Quinn, old guard Democrats; Genevieve B. Earle, Fusionist; and Andrew R. Armstrong, Laborite.

## Jersey C. P. to Honor State Head At Dinner Apr. 15

NEWARK, N. J., April 5. — The New Jersey State Committee of the Communist Party is giving a testimonial dinner in honor of Lena Davis, state secretary on Saturday; April 15 at Krueger's Hall, 25 Belmont Avenue, Newark. This event is being held in conjunction with the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Communist Party. It will mark three years of steady growth of the Party in New Jersey under the leadership of Lena Davis, during which time the Party has more than doubled its membership.


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That man was J. B. McNamara, oldest labor prisoner in the world, who has passed 28 years behind San Quentin's bars. Lawrence Emery, who was sentenced to serve from one to fourteen years in San Quentin for his union activities among the agricultural workers of California, tells a moving story of McNamara, the man whom no prison can break, in the forthcoming issue of "The Progressive Weekly," magazine section of the new Sunday Worker. "I've Counted the Bars" is the title of this gripping article.

**HALDANE ARTICLE**

In the same issue J. B. S. Haldane offers another of his fascinating science features, this time on haemophilia, that condition of the blood that prevents it from clotting properly. He explains how the Russian and Spanish royal families both suffered from this disease through their snobbish marriage taboos.

Brian O'Neill, brilliant Irish labor journalist, contributes a story of a "normal Bank Holiday morning in Dublin." Just such a morning began Ireland's memorable Easter Week, which O'Neill describes so brilliantly in his article, "Easter Week in Dublin."

For the sports fan Chester Rico tells Joe MacPherson the pros and cons of the fight game. Rico is an up-and-comer with nine pro fights and nine wins under his belt to date.

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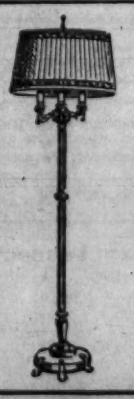

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# Hicks-Curran Debate On Role of C. P. in Boston Before 7,000

### Author and Harvard Fellow Exposes Fascist-Coughlinite Slanders; Traces Fight for U. S. Democracy; Priest Merely Red-Baits

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BOSTON, April 5.—Catholic Boston still buzzed today with excited comment over Tuesday night's debate on "whether or not Communism is the enemy of American democracy" with the Rev. Dr. Edward L. Curran taking the affirmative and Granville Hicks the negative.

Seven thousand persons crowded into the Mechanics Building to attend the debate between Curran, president of the International Catholic Truth Society and strong supporter of Father Coughlin, and Hicks, author and Fellow in American History at Harvard University.

Mayor Maurice Tobin of Boston, who presided as chairman, was compelled frequently to remind the audience, when the commotion of Coughlinites became pronounced, that "we are going to prove Boston is the cradle of freedom of speech."

GRANDVILLE HICKS

**GIVES ROLE OF C.P.**

Mr. Hicks, one of America's outstanding scholars, introduced his argument by outlining the struggle for American democracy from Jefferson's time until today and emphasized the history of Massachusetts' persecution of Catholics 100 years ago. He drew a clear and irrefutable comparison between the leaders of those previous struggles of democracy and the role of the Communist Party today, with its program for the social and national security of the American people.

The noted author asked that those Catholics present soberly consider the slanders they have heard against the Communists.

**"It is not difficult to discover," he said, "that the slanders they have raised against progressives in every age—foreign domination, opposition to democracy, opposition to the American flag, immorality and the encouragement of violence—are identical with their attacks on the Communists today."**

Praising the economic and political achievements of the Soviet Union, he emphasized the necessity for the American people to understand that the road to peace lies in cooperation with the strong peace-loving Socialist state.

**EXPOSES ACCUSATION**

Discrediting Curran's accusation that Browder had refused to debate with him in Cincinnati, Mr. Hicks read a copy of the telegram Browder had sent to Curran at the time mentioned. He challenged Curran to debate Browder "anywhere, anytime, on 'Resolved that Catholics should accept the outstretched hand of the Communists,' or 'Resolved that Father Coughlin is an enemy of American democracy.'"

Curran accepted the challenge to debate Browder, "pending his Bishop's approval."

Hicks throughout the debate emphasized repeatedly the identity of interests between Communists and Catholics on the economic and political issues of the day. He warned them not to fall victim to the dangerous incitements of the Father Coughlins and Currans who, he reminded the audience, had been cheered at the Nazi Bund meeting in New York along with Hitler, Hoover and General Moseley, adding succinctly "by your friends ye shall know them."

Father Curran's very "argument" of Tuesday night served to illustrate points made by Mr. Hicks. Curran accused the Communist Party of the United States of operating under the control of Stalin and the Soviet Union, of being the enemy of democracy, religion and civil liberties, and of hating the American flag.

The level of Curran's argument is well illustrated by his statement that "the only difference between Hitler and Stalin is that Stalin's mustache is longer."

## Voznesenski New Vice-Chairman Of Soviet Body

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, April 5.—N. A. Voznesensky, Chairman of the State Planning Commission of the U.S.S.R., was named Vice-Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R. by the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. yesterday.

## Dance to Aid Spain

Proceeds of the spring dance sponsored by the Newark Section of the Nature Friends of America, to be held at Bohemian Hall, 19th Avenue and 17th Street, Newark, on Saturday evening, April 8, will be turned over to the drive for funds for Spanish refugee aid now being conducted by the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy.

## Spivak, Bedacht to Speak

On a lecture tour under the sponsorship of the International Workers' Order, John L. Spivak will make his final New York appearance at the Hunts Point Palace, Southern Boulevard and 163rd Street on Friday, April 7, 8:30 P.M.

## Torrio Hid Profits Behind Fake Accounts

### Witnesses Testify at U.S. Trial on Tax Evasions

The Government accumulated evidence today from bank clerks and cashiers of the bootlegging profits made by Johnny Torrio, former New York and Chicago gangster on trial charged with evasion of $86,000 income taxes from 1933 to 1935.

The witnesses told of dummy accounts in which Torrio was alleged to have concealed business amounting to as much as $115,000 in the last three months of 1933, a year he paid a mere $1,013 income tax.

Andrew Hurley, investigator for the Alcohol Tax Unit, identified ledgers taken from James La Penna, one of the four men charged with having conspired with Torrio to evade taxes on liquor operations. Although Torrio's name did not appear in the ledgers, there were records of many payments to "Victor," "J. T." and "John T.," which Hurley said were designations for Torrio. He said, however, that La Penna had denied that these payments were to Torrio.

The government has charged that a syndicate of seven gangsters did a $1,000,000 annual business smuggling liquor from the Island of St. Pierre, off Nova Scotia, in the closing days of prohibition and apportioned off the eastern seaboard area among themselves for bootlegging. Torrio was named as one of the leaders of the syndicate.

## War Dept. to Use Radio to Bolster Reserve Strength

WASHINGTON, April 5 (UP).—The War Department announced today that it would sponsor radio broadcasts in all corps areas emphasizing that there will be approximately 18,000 places open in the enlisted reserve each year for the next five years.

An enlisted reserve strength of 75,000 was authorized by Congress last year and the War Department said enrollment was lagging. It hopes to correct this condition by calling attention to the program. All men under 36 who have one year's continuous service in the regular army and are physically fit are eligible. They will be paid $24 a year and will not be required to train or serve except in a national emergency.

## Pan American Clipper Ends Transpacific Hop

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5 (UP).—Pan American's Honolulu clipper, new 41-ton Boeing airboat, arrived at 8:15 A. M. today from Honolulu with 12 crew and 14 passengers completing its first regular roundtrip trans-Pacific flight to the Far East.

## New Bermuda Governor

LONDON, April 5 (UP). — The government tonight announced the appointment of Maj. Gen. Denis Bernard as governor and commander in chief of Bermuda, succeeding General Sir Reginald Hildyard, who will retire in September.

## Guard London Buildings

LONDON, April 5 (UP).—A guard was placed over Government buildings, police pensioners were recalled to stand 24-hour guard over Westminster Abbey and police of all large cities were instructed to be on the alert today after new bomb outrages.

## Mine Talks For Contract Resume Today

### Operators Balk Renewal On No-Strike Penalty Clause in Pact

Sub-committees representing the United Mine Workers and the bituminous coal operators will resume negotiations at 10 A.M. today following another day of conferences.

The contract affecting directly the 338,000 miners now in a stoppage, hinges upon operators agreeing to only one point—the dropping of no-strike penalty clauses in district agreements.

Both sides have already agreed to a renewal of the present contract terms for two years. The penalty clause provides for fines, usually a dollar a day, for participating in strikes termed in violation of the agreement. This served as a club over the heads of the workers against striking for enforcement of the contract working standards.

The negotiations were almost broken off Tuesday, but were again resumed by a surprise change of mind on the part of the operators.

## Put Aliens in Concentration Camp, Bill Asks

### Tory Measure Placed on Congressional Calendar

WASHINGTON, April 5 (UP).—The House placed on its calendar today a bill providing for indefinite detention on concentration camps of undesirable, deportable aliens without passports from native countries to permit their return.

The bill, introduced by Rep. Sam Hobbs, D., Ala., approved by the House Judiciary Committee, would affect aliens undesirable because of their political beliefs habitual criminals, procurers, prostitutes and narcotic peddlers.

They would be subject to commitment unless they obtained passports within 90 days from the time deportation was ordered.

The concentration camps would be selected and provided by the Secretary of Labor who could provide land for the voluntary farm labor of inmates. Inmates could not be required to do hard labor. Established institutions also could be used.

## Circus Signs Pact With AFL Actors

A contract covering 1,000 workers in the Ringling Brothers-Barnum and Bailey circus, including 250 performers, was announced yesterday by Ralph Whitehead, secretary of the American Federation of Actors.

The pact provides for a $45 minimum wage scale a month, free food, lodging, transportation, hospitalization and other improvements.

Whitehead said the agreement was signed by William Green, A. F. of L. president, and John Ringling North, president of the circus. The circus opened last night at Madison Square Garden.

## Mayor Plans City Hall at World's Fair

Mayor LaGuardia is planning to move his office and entire office staff to a special World's Fair City Hall headquarters at the old Arrowbrook Country Club, Flushing, in about two weeks, it was learned yesterday.

Workmen have been busy for several weeks remodeling the club, which is close to the Fair grounds. The Mayor will conduct all his official business from this temporary City Hall during the period of the World's Fair.

## A Snappy Month

Mayor LaGuardia issued a proclamation yesterday designating April as "dress-up and paint up month" so as to make New York as attractive as possible for visitors to the World's Fair.

## Stimson Makes it Easy For Card Players to Grasp Neutrality Talk

WASHINGTON, April 5 (UP).—Card players may understand how former Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson feels about existing neutrality legislation.

He told the Senate Foreign Relations committee today that it was too rigid; laid down a fixed line of action enabling others accurately to forecast what the United States would do in an emergency.

"It is like playing a game of poker," said Stimson, "with our own hand open on the table and the other hands concealed."

## Did They Ask the Quins?

NORTH BAY, Ont., April 5 (UP).—The Dionne quintuplets' board of guardians today formally accepted the provincial government's invitation to take the girls to Toronto May 18 for presentation to King George VI and Queen Elizabeth.

## The Vanishing 'El'

RAZING THE ANCIENT Sixth Avenue elevated nears completion. Here is a view of the Rockefeller Center as the last section starts on its last journey.

## *Prisoners Starved for Sheriffs' Profit, U. S. Jail Official Declares*

### Average County Jail Is Blight on Our Social Progress, He Declares; Inmates Are Exploited for Private Gain

WASHINGTON, April 5 (UP).—Some sheriffs make "handsome" profits by supplying inferior foods and medical treatment to prisoners in county jails, James V. Bennett, Federal Director of Prisons, charged tonight in a statement announcing opening of a new Federal correctional institution at Sandstone, Minn.

The $826,500 institution, with accommodations for 500 convicts, will house prisoners whose sentences are 18 months or less, principally from the states of Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and North and South Dakota. Bennett said upkeep of the prison will cost less than fees now paid to counties for boarding federal prisoners.

**"The laws in many jurisdictions permit the sheriff to charge the county a per diem fee for each prisoner held in his jail," he said. "This fee has no relation to the service rendered, and in some cases sheriffs make a handsome profit by depriving the prisoners of reasonably decent food, medical treatment, etc., and pocket the amount between the cost of operating the jail and the fee received from the county."**

It was such conditions, in addition to "kangaroo courts" and inadequate sanitary facilities in county jails, Bennett said, that encouraged the federal government to expand its prison system.

**"The average county jail is an anachronism in our modern social structure," he said. "It survives through the indifference of the public and because of a short sightedness which would exploit the offender.**

**"By and large most county jails lack proper sanitary facilities; young and old, the sick and the well, the guilty and the innocent are allowed to mingle indiscriminately.**

"In few jails is any effort whatsoever made to rehabilitate the prisoner, provide him with a modicum of work or improve his physical and mental condition. It was because of these conditions that the federal government embarked upon its program of establishing its own regional jails."

## Top Journalists Speak Tonight on Spain and Crisis

Four of the men who have raised American journalism to world fame through their foreign correspondence will be members of a Foreign Correspondents Symposium on "Spain and the European Crisis" to be held at Mecca Temple, tonight, Thursday.

They are: Vincent Sheean, recently with the North American Newspaper Alliance, whose coverage of the Spanish civil war was one of the great journalistic triumphs of our day; Jay Allen, formerly of the Chicago Tribune, who covered the Spanish war from both sides of the lines; Leland Stowe, veteran foreign correspondent, and George Seldes, noted for his post-war work in the European capitals. The distinguished English foreign correspondent, Robert Dell, is the fifth foreign correspondent member of the symposium.

Dorothy Parker, well-known poet, short story writer and scenarist, and Ralph Bates, English journalist and novelist, will complete the symposium panel.

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## Shoe Workers Picket 10 Big Plants in City

Picketing continued before all 10 plants in the stitchdown section of the shoe industry yesterday, as 2,400 workers out on strike awaited action by the employers on demands presented by Local 129, United Shoe Workers, CIO.

The union seeks increased wages for workers in the lowest categories and a clause prohibiting a plant from opening an out of town branch.

The clause is essential, the union said. The employers were accused of circumventing a clause in the old agreement which banned moving out of town by opening branch factories.

## Pittsburgh Nazi Bund Had School In Local YMCA

WASHINGTON, April 5 (UP).—The Federal Bureau of Investigation's report on the German-American bund shows that it operated a school in the Pittsburgh Y. M. C. A. building.

About 70 pupils attended the school in 1937, the period covered by the report. The FBI said students were "instructed in German and American ideals and languages."

The local bund was headed by Allen Goeppel, who obtained his citizenship in 1936.

The Pittsburgh Bund maintained a "storm troop" organization which Goeppel said was intended to "maintain order at the meetings."

## Bus Strike Talks Spur Settlement

### Mayor's Office Mediates In Manhattan-Queens Line Walkout

Prospects for settlement of a strike of fifty chauffeurs on the Manhattan-Queens Bus Line were seen as improved yesterday following a conference between company officials and officers of Amalgamated Association of Streetcar, Electric Railway and Motor Coach, A. F. of L., in the office of Nathan Frankel, Mayor LaGuardia's labor secretary, at City Hall.

No buses are running on the line.

The strikers are asking a 10 per cent increase in pay. The present scale ranges from $55 to $70 a week, with the employe reaching the $70 mark after four years of service.

The union is also asking that the $70 scale be paid to employes with more than three years of service.

Charles Clark, first international vice-president of the union, lead the negotiations for the employes, and Ralph Bogan, company vice-president, was spokesman for the bus line.

**SEEK YEAR CONTRACT**

The union is seeking a one-year contract. But Mr. Frankel pointed out that contracts for other lines of the same company, which are controlled by the Greyhound Bus Co., expire in six months. He suggested that a six month contract be negotiated between the Manhattan-Queens line and the union so that unified negotiations can be made with all lines at the same time six months hence.

Mr. Frankel proposed that a compromise five per cent raise in pay be written into the short contract.

The strike has been effective in securing agreement on this point, it was learned.

Settlement of the dispute hinges on the demand for shortening the step-up period for $70 men.

## Unions Protest Bill Aimed Against Aliens

The American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born has announced that many trade unions have voiced their protest against the Dempsey Bill, H. R. 4866, which would provide for the deportation or exclusion of any person advocating any change in the American form of government.

Among the organizations which have protested the Dempsey Bill are: the United Wholesale & Warehouse Employees of New York; the Fur Floor and Shipping Clerks' Union, Local 125; State, County and Municipal Workers of America, New York District.

Officials of the American Committee requested that all other organizations send letters to the Chairman, Senate Committee on Immigration, and to their United States Senators, protesting the Dempsey Bill as undemocratic and un-American.

## Dickstein Bill Held Up After House Hearing

Action on the Dickstein Bill, H. R. 1650, providing that, "No person shall be naturalized or be made a citizen of the United States who believes in any form of government for the United States contrary to that now existing in the United States," has been indefinitely postponed by the House Committee on Immigration and Naturalization after hearings last week, it has been learned here by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born. Officials of the American Committee protested against this bill as discriminatory and repressive and requested its defeat in a telegram to the House Committee.

## Wing Crash Kills 4 Navy Fliers

FIREMEN FIGHTING burning wreckage of one of the two Navy bombers which locked wings and fell at Barintree, Mass. The planes were flying over the launching of the aircraft carrier Wask at Quincy. The two fliers in each plane were killed. The ships set fire to the houses into which they crashed.

# Citizens Group Acts To Secure Passage Of Anti-Bias Bills

### Manhattan Committee Approves Delegation to Albany; Temporary Commission Pushes for Hearing on Measures Against Negroes

A delegation of at least 50 persons to go to Albany to support progressive legislation presented by the Temporary Commission on the Condition of the Urban Colored Population was approved last night by the Manhattan Citizen's Committee. This committee was formed recently to support the Temporary Commission in its fight for passage of anti-discrimination bills drawn up and presented by the Commission.

The committee decided also to press for an open hearing on the bills at Albany.

Letters have been sent out by the committee to ministers, public officials and unions, urging support of the progressive legislation. At its meeting tomorrow night at the Y. M. C. A., 135th St., near Seventh Ave., the Manhattan Citizens Committee will lay final plans for a big mass meeting next Wednesday night at the Abyssinian Baptist Church.

Representatives of trade unions and other mass bodies, Negro and white, are urged to be present at tonight's committee meeting to help in planning the mass assemblage Wednesday night.

## Boss Cleaners Balk Parleys At City Hall

### Strike of 5,000 Continues as Talks Are Deadlocked

A strike of 5,000 cleaners and dyers continued at full force throughout greater New York yesterday following a meeting of union leaders and employers at City Hall, at which employers refused to concede to the workers' demands for wage increases.

Local 239 of the Cleaners and Dyers Union, CIO, is demanding a 15 per cent increase in wages for workmen receiving from 35 to 50 cents an hour and a 10 per cent pay raise for those above the 50-cent-an-hour scale.

Eight representatives of the union, led by President Alexander Hoffman, conferred for two hours with eleven representatives of the Cleaners and Dyers Board of Trade, headed by Harry A. Kuffler, in the office of Mayor LaGuardia's labor secretary, Nathan Frankel.

Mr. Frankel said the negotiations had reached a "complete impasse."

He stated he had referred the matter back to the New York State Labor Mediation Board and recommended that the board set up a fact finding committee.

Meanwhile, the strike continued, with the walkout of the 5,000 affecting 15,000 tailors to whom the cleaners and dyers feed work.

## British Boycott Against Nazis Grows Rapidly

### Chamberlain's 'Rejection' is Meaningless, Says Anti-Hitler Group

Reports that the Chamberlain government of Great Britain has rejected a proposed official boycott of Nazi Germany are meaningless, for the unofficial boycotts in force all over the civilized world are growing by leaps and bounds and become more effective daily, according to Captain G. Egerton Harriman, executive secretary of the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League.

"The boycott movements in England and America have been prosecuted continuously since 1933 and have never had any official sanction. Yet, they have continued to thrive and grow and increase their effectiveness every year. The horrible excesses of the Nazi government in the last year have brought millions of more supporters to the boycott cause," he stated.

"The prosecution of the boycott has always been a matter of the individual's conscience and every day thousands of new persons arrive at the conclusion that it is the moral obligation of every intelligent person to get behind this movement and refrain from the purchase of German made goods so long as the present mob of gangsters is in control in Berlin.

## Easter Appeal Made for Nazi Terror Victims

### Committee Urges Thank Offerings Be Taken for Refugee Aid

An appeal to the Christian people of the United States to express their gratitude for the freedom of religion they enjoy in this country, by making an Easter Thank Offering in behalf of Christian refugees from Nazi Germany who have been denied that freedom, was issued yesterday by the American Committee for Christian German refugees.

"As we remember the sufferings of Christ this Holy Week, let us ease the sufferings of these, our fellow-Christians in His name," the appeal states. The signers are James M. Speers, chairman of the commitee; Dr. Henry Smith Leiper, executive secretary of the Universal Christian Council for Life and Work; Dr. Samuel M. Cavert, general secretary of the Federal Council of Churches; Dr. Robert W. Searle, general secretary of the Greater New York Federation of Churches; Dr. Guy Emery Shipler, editor of "The Churchman;" Dr. Robert A. Ashworth, educational director of the National Conference of Jews and Christians; Dr. E. Graham Wilson, general secretary of the Presbyterian Board of National Missions, and Frank Ritchie, executive secretary of the committee.

Easter Thank - Offerings for Christian refugees should be forwarded to Richard B. Scandrett, Jr., treasurer of the committee, at 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

## Flying Club Is Named After Jimmy Collins

The name of Jimmy Collins, famous test-pilot who went down with his ship only a few short years ago, has been perpetuated in the organization, announced today, of The Jimmy Collins Flying Club. Based in Hangar 5 at Floyd Bennett Airport, Brooklyn, the new flying group starts with a nucleus of some forty-five flying members, ranging from commercial down to solo pilot, and including new students.

It was Jimmy Collins' often expressed desire to see flying come within the range of the average person's pocketbook, and this the Club feels that it will shortly accomplish. Members pledge to fly at least one half-hour per month, in order to retain for all the benefits of cooperative management.

## Navy Pilots Gave Lives to Prevent Accident Below

EAST BRAINTREE, Mass., April 5 (UP). — Naval investigators said today that the four fliers killed when their scout bombing planes collided probably sacrificed their lives to keep from endangering a crowd below.

"Both pilots and mechanics stood by their ships in the finest naval tradition," Lieut-Comdr. Michael Kernodle said.

## Nickel Plate Railroad President, 74, Dies

PHEONIX, Ariz., April 5 (UP).—Walter L. Ross, 74, retired president of the Nickel Plate railroad, died here today after an illness of a month.

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# Protest Grows Over Tory Sabotage of Miller Confirmation

### More Than 1,000 Letters to State Senate Committee Assail GOP for Blocking Lehman Choice; Tory Heads Aim to Undermine Jobless Benefit Act

By Alex Leith

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, April 5.—Upwards of a thousand letters and telegrams hitting Republican sabotage of Governor Lehman's appointment of Freida S. Miller as industrial commissioner have been received by the Senate Finance Committee, it was revealed today. The Republican-controlled committee has blocked confirmation of the appointment for over two months as part of the GOP'S smear campaign against the Democratic administration of unemployment insurance.

The organizations protesting this maneuver in communications to George L. Thompson, chairman of the finance committee, include trade unions, American Labor Party clubs, the League of Women Voters and the Young Women's Christian Association.

Republican leaders declared they would take action on Miss Miller's appointment after the Burney committee investigating alleged breakdowns in unemployment insurance makes its report on April 20th.

**UNDERMINE BENEFIT LAW**

Meanwhile, Republican legislative chiefs neared accord today on a plan to undermine the unemployment insurance law by sharply reducing employer contributions.

Under the plan, employers with presumably little labor turnover would be taxed as low as 1 per cent for the insurance fund instead of 3 per cent. Surety experts hold that this so-called merit rating system would prove so complicated and costly that it might well cause an administrative breakdown.

The Republican leadership earlier in the session had planned to hold up all changes in the law until 1940 in order to capitalize on the current disatisfaction with its operation.

The prompt action of Governor Lehman and his aids in submitting sound proposals for improving the statute and simplicity administration has forced the GOP to change its plans, however. Party leaders recognize that unless they act on this issue now, the Democrats will be in a position to rightly charge that the GOP opposed all proposals for improving the law in the 1939 legislature.

The Governor's recommendations were based on the study of the Advisory Council on Unemployment Insurance, which was submitted to the legislature almost a month ago. They would establish a simple method of computing benefits and elegibility; would reduce the waiting period, and make benefits payable for 13 weeks in every case.

## Coster Aides Out on Bail After Hearing

### Banker, Accountant and Broker Enter Pleas of Not Guilty

A banker, a broker and a Wall Street accountant caught in the toils of the McKesson & Robbins scandal pleaded not guilty to mail fraud and conspiracy charges in Federal Court yesterday.

With five other indicted associates of the late arch-swindler, F. Donald Coster alias Philip Musica, they were assigned bond and released pending the fixing of the trial date, May 11.

All held offices in the McKesson firm and are accused of participing in the manipulation of the books of the $86,000,000 drug trust in such a way as to lose investors an estimated $21,0000,000.

The highest bail, $7,500, was set for Horace B. Merwin, Bridgeport bank president, and for Howley W. Phillips, Waterbury and Bridgeport broker. John H. McGloon, longtime associate of Price, Waterhouse, giant Wall Street accounting firm which OKed Coster's books, and treasurer of McKesson, was held in $2,500.

Others arraigned were the three surviving Musica brothers and Coster's two brothers-in-law.

## To Celebrate Anniversary Of New School

Simplicity will mark the 20th anniversary celebration of the New School for Social Research, 66 West 12th Street, during the week of April 24th. Without fanfare the School will hold an informal dinner on the 25th of April, attended by a group of the School's friends who have been closely associated with the institution since its founding.

Dr. Alvin Johnson, Director of the New School, will be host, on the occasion of the dinner on the 25th, to a small number of guests including members of the former and of the present boards of trustees.

## Beauty Shops Fined for Pay Law Violations

### Levies as High as $50 Imposed on 27 Who Dodged Act

Court decisions were handed down in the Metropolitan area on 34 violations under the Minimum Wage Law and the 48-Hour Law covering beauty shops during the first quarter of 1939, Industrial Commissioner Frieda S. Miller announced. One case only was dismissed, five defendants were convicted but sentence was suspended, and in the remaining 28 cases, one fine of $25 was suspended and other fines imposed were as high as $50.

A total of $75 in fines was imposed on the Raymond Beauty Shop, 1611 Broadway, Brooklyn. Charged with violating Section 563 of the Labor Law, which requires employers to keep adequate and accurate records of wage payments and hours of work, the defendant failed to answer the summons. A bench warrant was issued, charging the employer with "working employes contrary to posted hours"—a violation of Section 186 of the Labor Law. In Court, the defendant changed her plea from "not guilty" to "guilty" and was fined on two counts.

Section 186 provides that the hours of work of employees shall be posted on schedules prepared to meet, within the legal limits of the law, the needs of each individual employer. The Section is designed to curtail deviations from scheduled hours of work. Without such restrictions, hours standards would tend to break down and the long working hours under which women suffered before the passage of the Law would again prevail. In all, fines ranging from $1 to $25 were imposed for violation of this section.

For failure to keep accurate records of wages and hours, a violation of Section 563 of the Minimum Wage Law, nine decisions in all were handed down. In addition to the $50 fine against the Raymond Beauty Shop, three fines of $25 were imposed, and one each of $10 and $1.

## Andrews Warns Wage-Hour Violators

### 'Honeymoon Is Over' He Tells Employers in Phila. Speech

PHILADELPHIA, April 5 (UP).—Federal Wage-Hour Administrator Elmer F. Andrews warned business at a luncheon of the Philadelphia Social Progress Council here today that "the honeymoon is over" in delaying enforcement of the 1938 Fair Labor Standards Act.

Andrews compared enforcement of the law to a "buzz saw" asserting that "we are now filing down the teeth of this particular buzz saw. They are big teeth and sharp and they mean trouble for the fellow who thinks he can outsmart Uncle Sam."

"The division of wages and hours started out cautiously last October when the law went into effect," he said. "But the honeymoon is over. Within the last few weeks we have gone to bat in a dozen cases of noncompliance and still other cases are ahead. We are obtaining injunctions here and there to force compliance."

## City's General Health at Peak, Report Shows

New York City's general health for the first quarter of 1939, ending last Saturday, April 1, compares favorably with that of last year, which rated as the healthiest in the city's history. Despite the prevalence of pneumonia and influenza in the earlier weeks of the year the deaths attributed to these two causes were only 189 more than in the similar quarter of last year, and 1,212 fewer than in the corresponding 13 week period of 1937

## Truck Firms Take Hint of Apex Decision

### Three Companies Bring Suit for $990,000 Against Union

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 5.—On the heels of the vicious Apex Hosiery Co. decision, three New England trucking companies involved in the tri-state strike of 5,000 teamsters filed suit in the U. S. District Court for $990,000 damages from the AFL locals in the area.

The Adley Express Co., Consolidated Motor Lines and McCarthy Express Co. claimed that the International Brotherhood of Teamsters locals in Hartford, Waterbury, Bridgeport and New Haven were violating the Sherman Anti-Trust and Clayton Acts.

The damage claims were based on alleged losses to the trucking concerns during the strike, plus punitive damages of $50,000 and the tripling of both.

In the Apex case in Philadelphia, the Circuit Court placed a fine of $711,932 against the CIO American Federation of Hosiery Workers for alleged damages lost during a strike when the company refused to bargain collectively.

Meanwhile, the teamsters strike in Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts, called in an effort to win uniform 75-cents-an-hour rates instead of the present 60 cents average hourly wage continued for the 17th day.

A meeting of employers and union representatives was called for today by the Rhode Island Arbitration Board.

## May Day Call Issued by IWO To City Orders

### Cites Role of Fraternal Groups in American History

The International Workers Order City Committee today addressed the Workmen's Sick & Death Benefit Fund, the Negro Elks, the Lithuanian Workers Alliance and several Odd Fellows Lodges, urging them to send representatives to the United May Day Conference this Saturday, April 8, 1 P.M., at the Hotel Center, 108 W. 43rd St.

In the call sent to these organizations, Dave Green, City Secretary of the IWO, cited the progressive role played by the American fraternal orders from the period preceding the American Revolution till today.

"May Day," the call stated, "originated in the United States. It had its origin around the struggle for the eight-hour day and has, since its inception, been the occasion each year for a celebration of labor's accomplishments and an expression of labor's needs and demands. It is in keeping with the best traditions of the fraternal movement in America, to participate in this celebration. The Masons, the Ancient Order of United Workingmen, the Molly Maguires, an organization that grew out of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Negro Elks, et cetera, have all contributed to the struggle for Democratic rights in America."

Pointing to the plight of the fraternals under fascism, Dave Green further stated: "In Germany, Italy and Spain all fraternals, Jewish, Protestant and Catholic alike have been illegalized by the fascist regimes in power."

The call concluded with a plea for unity on May Day for the "Defense of our Democratic form of government and of our liberties against the threats from the reactionaries and fascists in the United States."

## CIO Strike on Coast Against Ship Line Ends

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5 (FP).—Workers have returned to the Matson Line ships and the company has agreed to negotiate disputes with the three unions involved, the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders and Wipers, the Marine Cooks and Stewards Association, and the American Radio Telegraphers Association (all CIO).

The settlement was brought about by Dr. Louis Bloch of the U. S. Maritime Labor Board, who is now inspecting crews' quarters, chief cause of the dispute.

The company has agreed to withdraw its suit for injunction and damages against the waterfront unions, including the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union (CIO), which refused to pass the picket line. Members of the Sailors Union of the Pacific and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Stablemen and Helpers (both AFL) also stopped at the picket line, but these unions were not sued.

The strike on the Swedish freighter Brodin has also been settled by the discharge of newly-hired men. The crew had charged that non-Scandinavian sailors had been signed to fill vacancies. Members of the Scandinavian Seamen's Club picketed the ship and the longshoremen refused to work.

## Teachers Picket Against WPA Layoffs

PICKET LINE of WPA Teachers Local 453, American Federation of Labor, which yesterday marched in front of Brooklyn administration offices of the WPA Educational projects, at 176 Livingston St., in protest against layoffs. Similar picket lines appeared at two New York offices. *Daily Worker Photo*

## Teachers Picket WPA Offices Against Layoff

### Hundreds Carry Placards in Front of Three Offices; Children, Nutrition Projects Hardest Hit

Mass picket lines of the WPA Teachers, Local 453 of the American Federation of Labor yesterday marched in front of three offices of the Works Progress Administration in protest against dismissal of 1,142 workers from Board of Education projects. The steady march of pickets carrying placards, grew to nearly 200 at 13 Astor Place. At 57th St. and Fifth Ave. offices, the line fluctuated between 25 and 100, while at 176th and Livingston St., Brooklyn, the line grew to nearly 250 between 4 and 5 o'clock.

Following the picketing at Brooklyn, a meeting was held near the office.

The layoffs on the educational projects accounted for over 10 per cent of the total number dismissed in New York City as a result of the slash in WPA by Congress.

Almost half of the total dismissed on Board of Education projects was suffered by the children nutrition division, William Levner, secretary of Local 453 said. Those are workers employed at distributing daily free lunches to about 100,000 children of relief families. Levner said reports to the union office from many schools told of much chaos in distribution of the lunches, with some schools left without any project workers.

Local 453 is asking all dismissed education workers to register at its office, at 28 West 31st St. Levner said approximately 200 already registered. Every case which shows that discrimination played a part in the firing, will be appealed, he said.

## SEC Files Suit Against Coast Bank for Fraud

WASHINGTON, April 5 (UP).—The Securities and Exchange Commission announced today that it has filed an injunction suit in Federal Court at San Francisco, charging officials of the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association with "aiding and abetting" Time trust, Inc., and its officials in an allegedly fraudulent stock-selling scheme.

## Way Cleared For Pittsburgh Slum Project

### Grading to Start Soon On $18,000,000 Housing Project

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The way was cleared today for a major engineering feat in connection with Pittsburgh's $18,741,000 slum-clearance program, when Nathan Straus, Administrator of the United States Housing Authority, approved a base bid for rough grading operations on "Ruch Hilltop" on which is to be built the first section of "Terrace Village" low-rent housing project.

The bid approved today was that of the Harrison Construction Co., of Pittsburgh, $459,000.

The bid, approved on recommendation by George E. Evans, Chairman of the Pittsburgh Housing Authority, provides for the removal of more than 800,000 cubic yards of earth from the top of Ruch Hill, overlooking the Monongahela River. This operation will provide fill for the development of the "Soho Valley," and will include the improvement of a large playground area.

Completion of the low-rent housing projects will involve a total estimated development cost of about $18,471,000, will include the demolition of more than 200 slum buildings and will provide decent, safe and sanitary dwelling units for more than 3,000 families now living in substandard dwellings.

## N. Dakota First to Top 'History of CPSU' Quota

### Fulfills Quota; Conn. and Colorado Follow Closely; N. Y. Has 50,000 Distribution Quota; All Districts Vie for Honors in Campaign

Little North Dakota is the first district to go over the top in the socialist competition among the various state organizations of the Communist Party to fulfill their quotas on the distribution of the *History of the C P.S.U.*

With a quota of 150, North Dakota has achieved 112 per cent, or 168 copies ordered and distributed. Connecticut, with a quota of 1,200, has already taken 760, or 63 per cent. Close on its heels comes Colorado which, with 208 copies, has fulfilled 59.5 per cent of its quota of 350.

New York has taken 25,000 copies of its tremendous quota of 50,000, reflecting the scope and depth of the influence and power of the N. Y. State Organization. These copies are being eagerly bought up by the thousand in the Party branches. Manhattan alone has taken a quota of 20,000 copies to distribute, and the competition among the various sections in New York is extremely keen.

Virginia has also fulfilled 50 per cent of its quota of 150.

Among the larger districts, California, with 2359 copies, or 23.6 per cent of its quota of 10,000 copies, is running well behind Illinois, which has already taken 2,000 copies even, or 30.8 per cent of its quota of 6,500 copies.

New England, with 25.6 per cent of its quota of 2,500, is just a nose ahead of Eastern Pennsylvania which has fulfilled 23.3 per cent of its quota of 3,500, and of Western Pennsylvania with 24.5 per cent of its quota of 2,000. But it is trailing behind New Jersey which has achieved 27.4 per cent of its quota of 2,000, and its closest competitor, Wisconsin whose latest rush order has brought it to 27.8 per cent of its quota of 1,750.2 However, Maryland beats all these districts, with a full third of its quota of 1,500 fulfilled.

Ohio and Lower Michigan are running neck and neck for last place among the larger districts, having fulfilled only 12.6 per cent of their respective quotas of 4,500 and 3,000. Also among the tail-enders is Minnesota with only 15.4 per cent of its quota of 2,000, and Texas with 8.4 per cent of a quota of 500.

West Virginia, Kentucky, Luisiana and Oklahoma have not even started their campaigns. Not a single book has been ordered.

The goal of 100,000 distributed copies of the **History of the C. P. S. U.** was adopted by the National Committee at its December Plenum.

## Krupskaya Rally to Hear Mother Bloor

### To Stress Women's Rights At Memorial Meeting Tomorrow Night

A major program for the advancement of American women, including special protective legislation, mother's care, child health and the real achievement of equal rights, will be advanced by Communist Party leaders at the Krupskaya memorial meeting in Webster Hall Friday evening.

Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, and "Mother" Ella Reeve Bloor, veteran champion for women's rights, will be the principal speakers at the meeting held in honor of Nadezhda Krupskaya, widow and co-worker of Lenin.

Krupskaya is particularly honored by women of all nations for the courage and wisdom of her leadership in the struggle to prepare the women of old Russia for the dignity and fullness of their life under Socialism.

**MUSICAL PROGRAM**

All Communist Party members, sympathizers and friends (men as well as women) have been invited to the meeting by the New York State Women's Commission, which is sponsoring the Krupskaya rally.

Audrey Moore, prominent woman Negro leader and executive secretary of the Communist Party of the 21st Assembly District, will preside.

Earl Robinson, composer of "Abe Lincoln," will direct the musical program which will feature the International Workers Chorus. Rose McHugh, Negro woman, will sing.

The meeting will start promptly at 8 P.M. in Webster Hall, 119 E. 11th St., N.Y.C. Admission is 25 cents.

## China Friends To Hold Easter Parade Sunday

### Will Urge Boycott of Goods Made in Japan, Aid to China

The Easter Parade of American friends of the Chinese People to popularize the boycott of Japanese goods will take place Easter Sunday, April 9.

The march will be headed by Chinese students and placards and banners will be carried with boycott slogans on them. The marchers will gather at the southeast corner of 48th St. and Fifth Ave. at 11:00 A.M. and will parade up Fifth Ave. along the sidewalk past St. Patrick's Cathedral and down the other sidewalk past St. Thomas' Church.

The parade will be the second sponsored by the American Friends of the Chinese People, the first having been held last year.

## Minn. House OK's Governor's Plan To Ban Strikes

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 5 (UP).—The Labor Relations Plan proposed by Gov. Harold E. Stassen, introduced as an amendment to a drastic proposal patterned after the Oregan law, passed the House Monday when a motion to reconsider failed 53 to 72.

The administration measure would make it unlawful to:

Institute a strike in violation of a valid collective bargaining agreement, if employer is living up to agreement.

To call a strike in violation of the 10-day previous notice provision of the act.

To seize or occupy property during a labor dispute—"sit-down" strike.

To picket if not an employe while strike is in progress.

## WPA To Continue Hot Lunch Program For Needy Children

### Somervell Announces Service During Easter Will Be Given in 792 Elementary Schools; Marks Successful Fight by Many Organizations

Works Progress Administrator Col. Brehon Somervell's announcement yesterday that hot lunches for undernourished child would be served in 792 elementary schools of the city during the Easter holiday emphasized the successful outcome of a vigorous fight conducted last winter for continuation of this project.

When the hot lunches for needy children during vacations periods were struck from the WPA program just prior to the Christmas holiday, a number of organizations including the WPA Teachers Union, various Parent-Teachers Associations, and the Workers Alliance, conducted a vigorous campaign against the cut. The result was that hot lunches were served to needy youngsters in the elementary schools of the city during the Christmass vacation.

Administrator Somervell has now indicated that there will be no cessation in this feature of the WPA program, which serves approximately 114,000 hot lunches daily on the five week days during the year.

**CENTRAL KITCHENS**

The lunches are prepared at two central kitchens—one in Long Island City, which sends food to schools in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens and the Bronx, and the other on Staten Island, which serves schools in Richmond. They are available to needy children whose parents are financially unable to provide proper nourishment at home.

The Board of Education cooperates with the Works Progress Administration in conducting this project, whose slogan is "Not Tea for Two but Lunch for 114,00." Officials have indicated that education does little good for youngsters who minds are listless from hunger.

Individual lunches served by the project are comprised of one and a half sandwiches, one hot dish, and one piece of fruit or dish of pudding. Collectively, a daily lunch consists of 171,000 sandwiches, 6,000 gallons of soup, or the equivalent in a hot plate, such as spaghetti, and 114,000 pieces of fruit or 3,000 gallons of pudding, applesauce or prunes.

## Student Union Sets Date for Peace Drive

### To Demonstrate April 20; Issues Program Against Aggression

A program to "call into play America's great power for peace and the democratic way of life" is set forth by the American Student Union in its recommended policy for April 20, the date set by the United Student Peace Committee for nationwide demonstrations for peace. A foreign policy which denies economic and diplomatic support to aggression and a domestic policy for the preservation and extension of democracy are enumerated in a six-point program answering the question "What Kind of America Will be a Force for Peace and Proof of the Validity of the Democratic Idea?"

The American Student Union, as a member of the United Student Peace Committee, issues its statement in accordance with the U. S. P. C.'s call to students to formulate a policy on the issues facing America today. The American Student Union statement, embodying the principles of its program, as adopted at the Fourth Annual Convention last Christmas, is issued to its chapters together with the call of the United Student Peace Committee. American Student Union chapters are initiating and taking part in campus-wide legislative and peace conferences to discuss questions of foreign and domestic policy and arrive at a program representative of informed student opinion and supported by the majority of students.

## Sender Garlin to Lecture Saturday In Workers' School

Sender Garlin, member of the Daily Worker editorial staff who was the Sunday and Daily Worker correspondent in the Soviet Union for three years, will lecture at the Workers School this Saturday afternoon, April 8th. The topic of Garlin's lecture will be "The Soviet Union and the Press."

The lecture will take place Saturday afternoon, April 8, in the Workers School lecture Hall, second floor, 35 East 12th Street, at 2:30 P. M. Admission will be 25 cents.

In memory of a SPLENDID COMRADE
**Sylvia Sheves**
*who died April 6, 1938*

## 400 Jobless in Sleep-in-Strike Assail WPA Cut

### Layoff of 7,000 by Tory Administration Causes Seattle Protest

SEATTLE, Wash., April 5 (UP).—Some 400 unemployed men snored until daylight today in a "sleep-in-strike" protesting federal reduction of relief funds and the layoff of 7,000 WPA workers in Washington State.

Sprawled on the grass and on cots under a 20 by 45-foot circus tent pitched on the county-city building lawn, the demonstrators laid plans for a prolonged siege. They dubbed their camp "Martin's Starvation Camp No. 2," for Gov. Clarence D. Martin, anti-New Deal Democrat. The weather was warm.

Many claimed that since the County Welfare Administration funds were subjected to a 45 per cent cut last month widespread suffering had prevailed. Recent addition to relief rolls of discharged WPA workers, they said, made the situation "intolerable."

King County commissioners said they faced an "acute" situation and conferred with state relief authorities.

*"Free the women from kitchen drudgery"*
—LENIN

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## Emergency Call

• The WPA emergency appropriation probably reaches the Senate floor today. This may be your last chance to defend the jobs of 400,000 WPA families. If you have not yet done so, wire your Senators urging support for the full $150,000,000 emergency appropriation requested by President Roosevelt.

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## A Fish Story With Lessons

• Fishing in troubled waters is an old Japanese imperialist industry. But when it comes to actually catching fish in Soviet waters, the noisy threats of the Tokio war instigators about accompanying their fishing fleet with battleships have availed them nothing.

Japan's Rome and Berlin allies had hoped that their Nipponese partner would reject the Soviet Union's conditions for extension of the fishing treaties and thus start trouble.

But when the Tokio ambassador in Moscow, Shigenori Togo, and the Soviet Commissar of Foreign Affairs, Maxim Litvinoff, last Sunday signed a one-year extension of the fishing pact, it was clear that Japan had retreated on its dire threats. Fishing is to be done on terms laid down by the Soviet Union.

Japan has been trying to threaten the U.S.S.R. to renew for a long term the 1928 fishing treaty when, in fact, the Soviet Union needs more of the fishing grounds for its own growing population and has withdrawn other sections to strengthen its defenses.

Tokio viciously objected to withdrawal of 37 lots by the Soviet Union for defense purposes. The Japanese also howled because the Soviet Union put the fishing lots up for auction, and the Japanese had to bid on them paying a higher rate than previously.

The Japanese retreat on their bullying threats over fishing privileges in Soviet waters is again proof of the impressive lesson inflicted on the Japanese aggressive troops who tried to violate the Soviet border at Lake Khasan (Changkufeng) last summer.

The Japanese press is unable even to cover up Tokio's retreat with face-saving explanations.

The resulting relation of forces in the Pacific emphasizes that collaboration of the United States and the Soviet Union would be the greatest factor for halting the aggressors and in the interest of world peace.

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## Working for Unity

• The next session of the A. F. of L.-CIO unity talks has been postponed until a date mutually satisfactory to both parties. The delay, it is understood, is the result of the soft coal negotiations, which are taking the full attention of the CIO leaders, and the opening of the Wagner Act hearings next Tuesday.

The unavoidable postponement is naturally disappointing to everybody who is eager to see unity effected with the greatest possible speed. But it should in no sense be a cause for discouragement.

The period between now and the next meeting of the conferees, should see the unity movement considerably advanced. This can be accomplished through continuing the joint work of local affiliates of the two labor groups in various cities, and through a united defense of the Wagner Labor Act which will be placed in mortal danger with the opening of next week's hearings.

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## The Little Hitler From Alabama

• Things are moving rather fast.

On January 25, Senator Reynolds of North Carolina, told the Senate that "America could well provide concentration camps for those who are seeking to overthrow the government" (Congressional Record, Vol. 84, No. 16, p. 1038).

Yesterday, the House Judiciary Committee approved the Bill of Congressman Hobbs of Alabama for concentration camps for "aliens" on account of "political belief." It now is on the House calendar for action.

Of course, when these admirers of Hitler speak of "overthrowing the government" they mean any American who supports the New Deal, trade unionism, relief, WPA, Townsend Plan, Supreme Court reform—in fact, anything the Tories don't like.

Reynolds is an admirer of Hitler; so is Senator Burke of Nebraska. So are others who haven't come out into the open. Hobbs is doing their bidding. They figure that if they can stick foreign-born workers into concentration camps first, it will be that much easier to start mopping up on the rest of America.

This menaces the very basis of our democracy. Trade unions, progressive organizations and individuals should take warning and act. Let your Congressmen know of your determined opposition to this dangerous measure.

## A Merit System Without Merit

• The merit rating system proposed by big New York employers as an amendment to the State Unemployment Insurance Act, has no merit to it at all. In fact, the plan is a hoax against the workers and, as such, has long been condemned by the CIO, A. F. of L., the Social Security Board and the Governor's Advisory Council.

Under the proposed scheme, employers with a "steady employment record" would pay lower payroll taxes, while those with an "unsteady" record would be penalized. But the penalty (which would fall mainly on small and seasonal employers) would be only a slight one—an increase from the present 3 per cent to 4 per cent. On the other hand, the tax of those with a "steady" record would be drastically cut from the present 3 per cent all the way down to ½ per cent. The result obviously would be a much smaller total insurance fund, probably necessitating a cut in benefits and certainly preventing the much-needed improvements.

Ballyhooed as a method of stabilizing employment, the plan would do just the opposite. It would stabilize **unemployment.** For employers would hesitate to add workers to the payrolls for fear of being penalized if they should be compelled to make lay-offs later. It would place a premium on keeping the number of workers on the payroll at the lowest minimum. Another forceful objection to the plan is that it would further complicate an insurance system which is already far too complicated and in need of simplification.

There are many serious weak spots in the present law. The unemployed worker has to wait too long before his payments start. Once they do start, they don't continue long enough. And the set-up as now constituted necessarily results in far too much red tape. All steps to make these needed improvements have been defeated in the Assembly by the Republicans who are now pushing the "merit" plan. The Noonan-McCaffrey bill is the key to an improved unemployment insurance system. It needs widespread support.

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## Bruce Barton—'Pink Slip' Artist

• There must be thousands of decent folk in Bruce Barton's Congressional District (especially in the dense tenement area west of Central Park above 69th Street) who are spending sleepless night worrying about their WPA jobs.

They have the silk-stocking Bruce Barton to thank for that.

Barton this week voted to knife President Roosevelt's emergency WPA appropriation of $150,000,000. He voted to kill the $100,000,000. He voted to kill $75,000,000. He finally agreed to $55,000,000, and who knows but that he would have gone even lower.

Barton's vote would kick 1,000,000 honest Americans into the streets, to knock on the doors of the corporations which will not hire workers. This includes thousands in Barton's district.

The next time Barton pulls off one of his cunning advertising tricks against the New Deal, let the people of the 17th District remember the stab in the back Barton handed them on the WPA and relief vote.

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## An Experiment That Bears Watching

• More food for undernourished WPA workers and relief clients, a bigger market for the farmers, more silver in the till of the corner grocer—that is the purpose of the new plan of the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation.

By means of stamps issued to WPA workers and relief recipients, the Administration plans to increase the all too meager amount of food they now consume by about 50 per cent. For every dollar spent on food, the unemployed worker will receive free 50 cents worth of stamps. These are exchangeable at the corner grocery for foods of which there is now a surplus.

The Surplus Commodities Corporation is choosing one city in which to start the experiment around May 1.

In sending expressions of support for the experiment to Milo Perkins, chairman of the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation (Washington, D. C.) it should be made clear, however, that the plan should be a temporary one whose purpose is only to **supplement** relief and WPA income. It should not be used as an excuse for cutting WPA wages or as a substitute for the much-needed improvement in the present WPA and relief standards.

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## 'Confidence' Follies—April Edition

• Since January, four giant Wall Street banks increased their investments in U. S. Government Bonds by $215,000,000; the Central Hanover bought $128,000,000 worth, Guaranty Trust shelled out $116,000,000, and Chase National and Chemical Bank bought the rest.

What is the explanation for this buying of government bonds by Big Business when it talks so loudly about its "lack of confidence" in the government's budget?

Well, the government bonds are tax-exempt; the banks thus save about $1,000,000 in taxes on their new investments.

The real reason is that the big banks don't believe their own newspaper propaganda about "lack of confidence." That is just a stall to blackmail the country into dropping the New Deal-labor reforms.

## CLAWS ACROSS THE SEA *by Ellis*

## Common Sense Action To Keep America at Peace

• The so-called Neutrality Act comes up on trial. The hearings before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee opened yesterday.

Every American family is deeply involved in this discussion on what to do next when the Neutrality Act expires on May 1. Much of our hope for peace depends on what policy is adopted.

One thing should be as clear as day by now. Our so-called Neutrality Act was not neutral at all. It has been very much an act of disguised help for the Nazi aggressor powers. It does not prevent Japan from buying war supplies with which to menace us in the Pacific Ocean; it does not prevent the Fascist war makers, Germany and Italy, from buying munitions from us in order to wage war against independent nations, and prepare to war against us.

Instead of being neutral, we have actually encouraged Fascist war. Naturally, this increases the menace of attack against us. Once the Berlin-Rome-Tokio alliance can mop up in Europe and the Far East with the **help of our munitions and supplies,** then they can turn against us with increased strength. That's common sense.

As first witness yesterday, former Secretary of State Stimson put his finger on the crucial weakness of the "neutrality" legislation when he urged that the President have the power to distinguish between the Fascist aggressor and the victim of fascist aggression. He urged that we use the methods "short of war," that is, economic embargo against the Fascist powers, and economic help for the victim of aggression.

That would make the Hitlers think twice and three times before starting a new grab, pushing the world closer to war. **Any kind of revision which evades this distinction between the aggressor and the victim is useless.** Repeal of the false neutrality, or, at the very least, a basic revision such as we have just defined is urgently necessary for America's peace.

If you have a brother, son, or relative who would have to go to war, you can protect him by adding your voice to the demand for ending our false "neutrality," and aiding the victims of Fascist aggression.

We suggest you wire to Senator Pittman of the Foreign Relations Committee, Washington, D. C., urging an economic embargo on all aggressor nations. It is the least you can do to keep America at peace.

## Letters From Our Readers

### Urges Reading of History of CPSU—

McKees Rocks, Pa.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I have just received my book, "History of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union," and I find it interesting from the first page.

In the last few months we have read and heard so much about this book and the importance of this book to us in this country. But one has to actually purchase and read the book to adequately understand.

I want to thank International Publishers for publishing this book at such a low rate.

I urge all CP and YCL members to get this history book of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

PAUL D.

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### Fascist Activity in Canada—

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Although I have been reading the Daily Worker for the past few years (and my family also) this is the first time I am writing to you to make a suggestion.

Many people to whom I have spoken to seem to feel that the Nazi and fascist menace is confined to the European continent—even South America seems far away to them.

Even I was shocked to what extent it had grown—counterwise he pointed out the progress of the democratic groups to consolidate themselves into a "united People's Front," as he called it.

My suggestion is that we have more news articles from Canada in the Daily Worker.

I am sure that this will wake up a lot of people who feel sure of themselves and who think in terms of no danger of fascism for the United States.

Meanwhile let me say that I would feel lost if I couldn't get the Daily Worker.

GUSSIE MOSKOWITZ.

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### 'Model T Tactics in V-8 Era'—

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

More people are becoming aware of the fact that the trade unions are the economic backbone of average, everyday Joe Worker. In his shop, in his office, in his mill, he has come to see in unionism the guarantor of his rights as an individual.

That is precisely why Henry Ford is so viciously opposed to the CIO idea of placing on a higher plane the work conditions of Ford workers through the unionization of the Ford plant. It is because Ford has no regard for anything which may increase the security of the worker and protect his democratic rights, that he spreads throughout his plants intricate networks of spies and stoolpigeons.

But this attempt to stifle the march of progress won't last long. Fascism, just like Fordism, will lose out in the end.

Henry Ford is using Model T tactics in this era of V-8's and sixteen cylinders—and sooner or later—he'll have to change his old oil.

GERTRUDE KARLIN.

### Anti-New Deal, Pro-Fascist Propaganda for Farmers—

Atwood, Kansas.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I farm and batch, having about 30 to 100 head of stock which keeps me prety busy. I like to have some liberal news on politics around once in a while, just to check against the continual holler that the country is surely going to the dogs printed in the cheap farm papers all the time.

The papers around this way are full of advertisements and pro-fascist editorials, an occasional story or article to slur Mexico or the Soviet Union, President Roosevelt or the way the whole country in general is being run.

JOSEPH PANCAKE.

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### 'Misery Under the Smooth Surface of Life'—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

What misery and degradation there lies hidden under the apparently smooth surface of life!

A newly-hired, good-looking young man with patched overalls would never eat his dinner with us. Like a lone wolf, he would walk away to a certain distance and sit there to eat his dinner.

"What's the matter with him?" we asked our foreman one day as the fellow was eating with silence, his back turned toward us.

"I don't know," said the foreman. "I have noticed that myself, and I am going to find out right now."

So saying, he stepped toward the worker.

What was our astonishment when the foreman returned and revealed the mystery!

"The poor fellow is eating potato peels. Yes, potato peels," repeated the good man, deeply moved.

That evening he bought a big basket full of groceries and went to the home of the worker. Before crossing the threshold he overheard the words:

"No, No, you can't eat that bread, there will be nothing left for tomorrow."

It was the wife who had spoken. When he entered the room, two little children ran up to him, as if he were Santa Claus—two beautiful children, paled by hunger, undernourished.

A WPA WORKER.

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### 'Made in Japan' Articles Used At Bazaar—

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The other night my 14-year-old daughter attended a bazaar of a club in which she is a member.

I was astonished to note that all the prizes except one, which she won, were marked, "Made in Japan."

It is very important that members of organizations, clubs who sponsor bazaars, raffles, etc., be made conscious of the boycott against Japanese goods.

It is our duty to speak to all our friends who are in any way connected with organizations.

PAUL PETERSON.

## World Front

By HARRY GANNES

*Dangerous Incidents From Iraq to Albania; What Is Chamberlain's Objective in This Situation?*

• As fascist-created incidents pile up menacingly from Iraq to Patagonia, the anxious attention of the world is concentrated on London. In this highly explosive situation, just what is Chamberlain's game?

Will the early outcome of his conversations with the shifty Warsaw Foreign Minister, Joseph Beck, be the handing over to Hitler of Danzig? Or, is the British Prime Minister really finally alarmed over the Nazi threat to Great Britain, and is he trying to swing Beck and company into some form of collective action to block Hitler?

We believe that Mr. Chamberlain has merely moved from Munich to a convenient fence. He is now sitting on that fence, hoping for an opportunity to rush back to his old position, if he can, and, if this is not possible, he may be compelled to get off on the opposite side.

In moving from Munich to his present fence-sitting, Chamberlain has to that extent changed his position. But in thus far refusing any definite commitments and in carrying on suspicious intrigues with Beck, as well as consistently stalling on the Soviet Union's proposal for a conference of all nations desiring to halt Hitler, Chamberlain left the way wide open for more treachery.

Events in Iraq, where, no doubt, Nazi instigation of anti-British sentiment because of London's imperialist control of Iraq's economy, oil, and government, led to the assassination of the British Consul at Mosul, will make it harder for Chamberlain to step back into the Munich path.

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Also, events in Buenos Aires, where the Argentine government, headed by the pro-British President Ortiz, is carrying out a series of raids against Nazis who plotted seizure of the Patagonia province, have London approval. This action will have a tendency to counteract the British Tory sabotage of the Lima Conference. At Lima, Argentina tried to wreck Western Hemisphere anti-fascist unity.

Mussolini's preparations for invading Albania placed additional obstacles to Chamberlain's getting off the fence on the Munich side. British Mediterranean and Near Eastern interests are directly threatened by Rome's Albanian adventures. Then, reports of 5,000 additional Italian troops landing in Spain after Franco's victory, have aroused alarm in France and Great Britain.

In short, the rapid drift of events is away from any easy re-enactment of Munich.

But Hitler knows his Chamberlain. The Nazi dictator is threatening a direct, lightning and horrifying attack on Great Britain. Hitler thinks this will give Chamberlain either the opportunity of "saving the peace" through new forms of concession, or create such terror as may hinder any genuine British steps toward collective security.

It is Chamberlain's costly delay and conscious muddling that Hitler counts on so strongly.

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In the midst of all this, the incident of Lord Stanhope's sensational warning to Britain that the navy was manning its anti-aircraft batteries to meet any sudden Nazi attack from the air, is surrounded with mystery. The First Lord of the Admiralty made this statement on board a battleship to the papers so they could transmit the information to the British people. The report was even broadcast over the British government-owned BBC (British Broadcasting Company) which makes it official.

Then Chamberlain came out, first flatly denying the truth of the statement and later relegating it to the sphere of "usual practice in a tense situation."

Is Chamberlain deliberately creating a new case of national jitters, wearing out the people's nerves, as Hitler sets out to do, in order to facilitate another deal?

Or, again, is this a genuine defense move in the face of a threatened Nazi lightening attack?

A knowledge of Mr. Chamberlain and his past would more emphatically point to an attempt to create panic, rather than instill confidence that through collective action the Nazis can be halted and kept from striking.

The authoritative Journal de Moscou pointed out Tuesday that the chief danger lies in Chamberlain's procrastination, saying:

**"In view of the extent of German aggression and the existence of the bloc between Germany, Italy, Japan and fascist Spain, the as yet timid measures to enforce security in certain sectors are powerless to ensure peace.**

**"Measures are needed which extend to Europe as a whole and perhaps to the centers of war outside Europe. Collective security must be assured."**

Similar misgivings over Chamberlain's hesitation and two-sided maneuvers are expressed in Washington. Even the U. S. State Department, which has a strong clique sympathetic to Chamberlain, has given newspapermen information pointing to new British Tory trickeries. Yesterday the N. Y. Times printed a story which was summed up in the headlines this way: **"Capital Wonders on British Stand. Question is Whether Firmness Toward Hitler Will Go On or Collapse as Before."** That, indeed, is the question.

### Remember the Japanese Boycott—

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

A few lines to let you know of my high regard for the Sunday Worker. The paper is fast becoming the finest paper in New York as regards layout, just as it is the best paper in New York in spreading the truth.

But just one observation, Japanese articles are again being sold in the Woolworth store at 35th St. I have protested to the manager already, but surely only mass action will be effective.

ARTHUR BENNETT.

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### 'Glad to Be Active in the Movement Again'—

Big Point, Miss.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I am a widow, 73 years old. I have always worked hard and still do, but I like to work, and think it is a blessing at my age to be able to work.

I was quite sick this winter and could not go to our Communist meetings which I and my son belong to, but I am much better now and can go and be with the comrades.

Oh, how I have wanted to be able to help the Loyalists in Spain. I read the Daily Worker and enjoy knowing that there are people who are true blue.

SINCERE.

# Change the World

*Mike Gold's Readers Take Their Turn at Changing the World*

**By MIKE GOLD**

DEAR MIKE GOLD: A friend of mine, leaving a Communist Party meeting at Madison Square Garden with 20 friends tells me that one of them said: "Let's all go to the Automat."

Another member of the group said, "Don't you know the Automats are non-union?" The twenty went elsewhere.

We are today carrying on our organizational drive to unionize the Automats, make them part of the Cafeteria Employees Union, Local 302. Because of the general prevalence of that "let's go to the Automat" remark, we are carrying on this campaign from two interlocking points of view.

First, regular organizational work is being done by our organizers, assisted by dozens of volunteers from the rank and file. This work is progressing slowly but steadily, gaining impetus as we go along.

The second phase of our work is, we think, a new departure in trade union tactics.

Briefly, our aim is to inform the public that the Automats are not staffed with union workers and, at the same time, to urge them to patronize union houses.

Your column in the Sunday Worker of April 2, telling your readers that "the Automats are cheap and good" points out to us, in sharp relief, the great need for this campaign.

We know that these lines would never have appeared had you been aware of our union's work at this time. If even you did not know of this drive, certainly other readers of the Daily and Sunday Worker, hundreds of thousands of trade unionists, and progressives in general, do not realize it is going on either.

That's the reason for the need of our publicity campaign, details of which are outlined briefly below.

1. Within a week or ten days a new sign will be on display in all union cafeterias. This sign announces: "All workers in this shop are members of the Cafeteria Empolyees Union, Local 302."

2. A short time after we've placed these signs, advertisements will appear in over twenty trade union papers, circulating in New York, reproducing this sign, and stating in addition: "Eat where you see this sign. . . . You won't see it (yet) in the Automats, Waldorf's or Bickford's."

3. We are on the air over WEVD every week Wednesdays at 8:15 P.M. Our Union Dramatic Group will present sketches built up around this unionization drive.

4. The first of the sketches is entitled, "Let's Unionize the Automats." A one-inch one column advertisement announcing the program and giving its title will appear in fifteen daily newspapers every week on the day of the broadcast. Look for it on the radio page Wednesdays. If you read the Jewish daily papers, or the Spanish, or the Polish, or the Ukrainian, you'll see the ad there too.

5. Beginning April 4th there'll be ten announcements over WEVD per week urging listeners to patronize union cafeterias. The theme song of these announcements is, "You Work Union, Eat Union Too."

6. The city will be flooded with 2,000,000 match boxes reproducing our union sign and urging people to "eat where you see this sign." These matches will start circulating within two or three weeks.

7. Thousands of posters are being mailed this week to every union local and workers' club in New York, hammering away at the same point and stressing the fact that the Automats, Waldorf's and Bickford's are not union houses.

8. We are distributing, beginning this week, hundreds of thousands of leaflets addressed to Automat patrons explaining to them that "You are now entering or leaving a non-union cafeteria.

"There are over four hundred union cafeterias in Manhattan and the Bronx," the leaflet continues, "why not patronize them?" This leaflet also reproduces our new union sign, and asks readers to look for it.

There is a lot more to this campaign but this is enough to indicate its scope.

Let me repeat that we realize that the mistake you made in your Sunday column, a mistake due to lack of information—and not, of course, to good will. The printing of this communication will help to clear it up and we look forward to seeing it in your column.

Sincerely,
—ALFRED HIRSCH, Publicity Director
Cafeteria Employees Union, Local 302.

# HOW DO YOU FEEL?

## HEALTH ADVICE

### *Bromo-Seltzer Makes the Inside Page*

We have always pointed out the dangers in the use of headache powders, pills and other products bought indiscriminately without a doctor's prescription. Headache "remedies" usually contain drugs that are harmful to health and even dangerous to life. They tend to cover up symptoms of what may be serious disease, a disease that may otherwise be easily diagnosed and treated by a doctor. The Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act of 1938, while anything but perfect, represents in many respects an advance over the old act of 1906, the so-called Pure Foods and Drug Act. When the 1938 act was passed it was predicted that its usefulness would rest upon the vigor with which federal authorities use its provisions. Apparently, something is being done.

Federal Judge Marvin Underwood, of Atlanta, upon complaint of the U. S. District Attorney, has authorized the seizure of more than 2,300 bottles of Bromo-Seltzer in a wholesale druggist's warehouse in that city. The petition of accusation alleges that the medicine was "misbranded" and that it "is dangerous to health when used in the dosage or with the frequency prescribed" on the containers. The Emerson Drug Co., of Baltimore, has until April 1 to answer these charges. If an answer is filed by that time a jury trial will be ordered. If the government proves its charges the product will be destroyed; otherwise, it will be returned to its owners. It is "believed" by officials of the Food and Drug Administration that the accusations may be made to apply to all the Bromo-Seltzer now manufactured rather than to any definite batch.

The N. Y. Times prints the Associated Press dispatch of the Bromo-Seltzer case on an inside page, the business page, where it will be overlooked by the average reader and seen only by those interested in business. A similar policy is followed by the Nazis. Much information about the real status of Germany, not seen in the lay press either in Germany or elsewhere, can be gotten from German speciality journals and magazines. The Nazi machine cannot work well if the mechanics who run it are ignorant. We suggest that our readers look over the business pages of capitalist newspapers, as well as the sporting pages, for valuable material. We will appreciate your sending us news items similar to that of the Bromo-Seltzer case.

—By MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD

# On the Radio

SHORTWAVE BAND
Radio Center, Moscow, 3:00 A.M., 15.217 Megacycles; 7:00 P.M., 6.030, 9.600, 15.080, 15.217 Megacycles.
Der Deutsche Freiheits Sender, 10.10 Megacycles, 4:00 P.M.

MORNING
7:00-WNYC—Sunrise Symphony
8:00-WQXR—Composer Hour
WOR—Trans-Radio News
8:15-WNYC—New York State Employment Service and Consumers Guide
8:30-WHN—U.P. News
8:45-WNYC—News and Around New York Today
9:00-WQXR—Breakfast Symphony
WNYC—Masterwork Hour
9:30-WOR—Women Make the News
9:45-WHN—U.P. News
10:00-WNYC—Board of Education Program
10:45-WNYC—Board of Education News Program
11:00-WNYC—News
11:15-WHN—Ad Rhinesberg Shoppers Information
11:45-WNYC—"You and Your Health"

AFTERNOON
12:00-WNYC—Midday Symphony
12:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WJZ—National Farm and Home Hour
12:45-WOR—Consumers Quiz Club
1:00-WNYC—Organ Recital
1:15-WMCA—Dr. John Haynes Holmes speaks on "Tolerance and Good-Will," at the Advertising Club Luncheon
2:00-WJZ—Social Science Program
2:15-WHN—U.P. News
2:30-WNYC—Opera Matinee
3:00-WAMC—Band Concert
WHN-WOR—Dodgers vs. Detroit Tigers, Exhibition Game
WMCA—World's Fair Fairest Music
3:15-WNYC—Books and Authors
3:30-WABC—Eugene Dubois, Violinist and Alex Semlar, Pianist in Joint Recital
3:45-WNYC—News
4:00-WJZ—Sunbright Smile Parade
WNYC—Four Strings at 4
WQXR—Music of the Moment
WABC—Corpus Christi Choir
4:30-WQXR—Hour of Symphonic Music
WNYC—"Let's Make Music," Dr. Roy Harris
5:00-WMCA—News
WNYC—Concert Hour
WABC—Current Questions Before the House
5:15-WABC—"Let's Pretend," Children's Program
5:30-WOR—Raymond Gram Swing, News Commentator
WNYC—"Youth on Parade," NYA Program
WQXR—Young People's Concert
5:45-WHN—U.P. News
WOR—Concert Review

EVENING
6:00-WEAF—"The Living Hod," Pedro De Cordoba, Walter Connelly and Mary Karr from Hollywood
WOR—Uncle Don
WABC—News and Sports
WQXR—Music to Remember
WNYC—Musical Essays
6:15-WEAF—Malcolm Claire, Stories for Children
6:30-WMCA—Sports Talk
WEAF—Talk on State Income Tax
6:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WABC—Today with Bob Trout
WNYC—Film Forum
WQXR—Gertrude Mittelman, Piano Recital
6:45-WEAF—Bill Stearn's Scrapbook
WNYC—News
WABC—National Association for the Prevention of Radio Interference
WHN—Dick Fishell, Sports Resume
WQXR—Charles Feinberg, Musical Newsreel
7:00-WEAF—"Mr. District Attorney," Dramatic
WOR—Stan Lomax, Sports Review
WJZ—Easy Aces
WNYC—Masterwork Hour
WQXR—Quality Music
7:15-WMCA—"Five-Star Final"
WEAF—Vocal Varieties
WOR—Inquiring Reporter
7:30-WABC—Joe D. Brown
WEAF—All-Star Review
WOR—"Don't You Believe It"
WJZ—Adrian Rollini Trio
WHN—George Hamilton Combs, News Commentator
7:45-WMCA—Army Day Celebration
WOR—The Inside of Sport, Sam Nalter
8:00-WEAF—Rudy Vallee's Variety Hour
WOR—"The Green Hornet"
WJZ—Parade of Progress
WABC—Barry Fitzgerald, Guest on Kate Smith Hour
WQXR—Great Singer Series
WEVD—Bryce Oliver News Commentator
8:30-WEVD—Rev. L. E. Land, speaking on "Fascist Terror Against Jew and Christian"
WOR—Alfred Wallenstein Conducts the Symphonietta
8:30-WJZ—Eastman School of Music
8:45-WMCA—"The Truth Behind the News As I See It," Johannes Steel, News Commentator
9:00-WEVD—"Six Months After Munich," NYU Forum
WMCA—Ford C. Frick, Guest on NYA Forum
WHN-WEAF—"Good News of 1939"
WABC—Major Bowe's Amateur Hour
9:30-WJZ—Town Meeting of the Air Discusses, "Can Europe Escape War," Speakers: Raymond Gram Swing, Raymond Clapper and Others
WEVD—Confederated Spanish Societies
WOR—Famous First Facts
WMCA—Midweek Forum
9:45-WQXR—Sidney Kaufman's Cinema Comment
10:00-WEAF—Bing Crosby, Bob Burns and Guests
WOR—Dance Music
WABC—Judy Garland, Guest on Tuneup Time
WQXR—Concert Hour
10:30-WMCA—News
WOR—Dance Music
WJZ—NBC Minstrels
10:45-WHN—U. P. News
11:00-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WABC—Evening News Report
WQXR—Just Music
11:00-WEVD—Symphonic Hour
WHN—"Music to Read By"

# MIDWEEK REVIEW of the ARTS

## 'Midnight,' a Light Comedy At Paramount

"MIDNIGHT." At the Paramount. With Claudette Colbert, Don Ameche, John Barrymore, Francis Lederer, Mary Astor. Screenplay by Charles Brackett and Billy Wilder. Directed by Mitchell Leisen.

Claudette Colbert's 999th (approximate figure) Parisian light comedy current at the Paramount is a gay little affair replete with the usual Colbert props—clothes, romance and sophistication. Miss Colbert, Don Ameche and John Barrymore make the most of the snappy dialogue and Mitchell Leisen's direction keeps the film at a steady pace throughout.

The story deals with the adventures of Eve Peabody (Claudette Colbert) an American girl stranded in Paris. Eve is looking for a titled Adam and is rescued by a broke but goldhearted taxi driver, Tibor Czerny (Don Ameche). She doesn't like to accpe his help and blunders into a triangle of upper class love affairs, in which Georges Alammerion (John Barrymore), his wife (Mary Astor), and Jacques Picot (Francis Lederer) are involved. Geirges pays Eve well to win Mrs. Alammerion away from Jacques and things become further complicated by the return of Tibor to the scene. Eve gives up her dream of Paris castles and marries the taxi-driver.

The cast is an excellent one with John Barrymore stealing plenty of scenes and Don Ameche aiding Francis Lederer in the romance roles. Miss Colbert also wears some mighty nice gowns and hats.—H. R.

## Sheean, Allen, Seldes at Mecca Temple Tonight

Vincent Sheean, distinguished foreign correspondent, novelist, and biographer, will be one of eight outstanding foreign correspondents and writers to participate in a Symposium at Mecca Temple, tonight.

Foreign correspondents participating include, Jay Allen, formerly of the Chicago Tribune European staff; Leland Stowe, ex-president of Anglo-American Press Association in Paris; Robert Dell, British journalist and Geneva correspondent for The Nation; and George Seldes, veteran foreign correspondent. Archibald MacLeish, famous American dramatic poet, will chairman the Symposium, which will also have as participants, Dorothy Parker, American poet and scenarist; and Ralph Bates, English novelist, who fought in the ranks of the International Brigade during the Spanish war.

## Frontier Documentary In National Archives

"People of the Cumberland," a documentary film produced by Frontier Films, has been honored by inclusion in the National Archives.

The motion picture division of the National Archives is reserved for films of definite historical significance, dealing with subject-matter found within the United States and its territories.

"People of the Cumberland," seen on Broadway for several weeks last year, is a short subject based on the lives of a little known people isolated in the mountains of Tennessee.

*The Street Urchin* *by Aaron Douglas*

## Rubinstein in Brilliant Recital at Carnegie Hall

Artur Rubinstein dazzled a large audience in his only recital of the season at Carnegie Hall Tuesday evening. Rarely heard pieces by Chabrier and Villa-Lobos, as well as familiar piano works by Liszt, Schumann and Chopin, featured a substantial program.

Liszt's B minor Sonata has always been a dubious affair for us and the pianist's imaginative reading of the work confirmed our resistance to it. Neither a wealth of color nor an architectural projection was of any avail; Liszt is revealed as an innovator in piano literature, but the melodic lines are too obtuse and, except for the epic theme (the work is in one movement), induce a world weariness which left us fidgeting.

But with Schuman's "Carnival" matters quickly brightened. Those qualities which distinguishe Rubinstein's music-making, his sensitivity to color, line, and atmosphere were brought into prominence. Add to these his relaxed control, his quiet energy, and you can perhaps grasp why the performance of this overworked material was a revelation. One can ask nothing more of these sketches than the humor, joy, whimsy and moments of tenderness with which the artist so richly endowed them.

### *Memorable Concert*

Chopin's Impromptu in F Sharp, three Preludes, and his Valse in A minor opened the second half of the program. In the most lingering of phrases the feeling of pulse and motion was always present. Here was the majestic as well as the intimate Chopin, a man who could sparkle as well as dream.

Aside from the pensive "Hommage a Rameau" of Debussy, the program now became a succession of rhythmic delights. The "Bourree Fantastique" of Chabrier and three short works of the Brazilian, Villa-Lobos, thrilled every listener.

—S. H.

## Group Theatre Presents Saroyan's New Play

The Group Theatre announces that it will present William Saroyan's "My Heart's in the Highlands" at the Guild Theatre on Thursday evening, April 13th, as the first of a series of five special performances. The remaining showings will take place on the 14th, 15th, 18th and 19th.

## Speaks Tonight

*Ralph Bates, well-known author, will participate in a symposium on "Spain and the European Crisis" at Mecca Temple tonight. Dorothy Parker, George Seldes, Vincent Sheean, Jay Allen, Robert Dell and Leland Stowe will also speak. Archibald MacLeish is chairman.*

## *Economic Biography Of a Nazi Shark*

SCHACHT: HITLER'S MAGICIAN. The Life and Loans of Hjalmar Schacht. By Norbert Muhlen. Alliance Book Corporation. $3.00.

**Reviewed by David Ramsey**

Here is an interesting economic biography of Schacht, the so-called financial magician of Hitler. It is written by a German bourgeois liberal whose ardour for capitalism underlines the more strongly this story of international blackmail and racketeering. For there is nothing miraculous about fascist economics; it simply squeezes the people to the very limit of human endurance to supply profits and war materials. As Stalin pointed out in his historic report to the 18th Congress of the C.P.S.U., the fascist states have put their economies on a war footing, but the consequences of a devastating crisis are already catching up with them.

In fact, Schacht's dismissal before the publication of this book was in itself an indication of the coming economic storm. His swindles were transparent by now, and the Nazis turned to the expropriation of the Catholic Church as a source of new loot. The book under review gives the background of how Schacht's blackmailing schemes plunged German economy into its present difficulties, which not even starvation living standards and the 60-hour week can solve.

What the author fails to see, because of blind faith in capitalism, is that Schacht was able to finance Nazi rearmament because of the help he received from his English Tory friends. Without help from British capitalism and Wall Street, the Nazi war-machine would not have been rebuilt. In his detailed story of intrigue, however, the author furnishes facts which clearly show that Hitler came to power because of the backing of the German banks and munitions capitalists, and that fascism has been financially propped up time and again by the most reactionary section of British capitalism and their international allies.

Schacht's career shows why our own Tories admire him so much. He could do openly what they have to carry through in secret. At the same time, his dismissal shows that the very swindles of fascism increase the pressure that threatens to explode its economy.

## Aaron Douglas' Paintings on Haiti at ACA

Sponsored by the Negro People's Committee of the Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy and an imposing list of prominent sponsors, Negro and white artists, Aaron Douglas, well-known Negro artist, comes to the A.C.A. gallery with a group of Haitian paintings. He is a skillful and sensitive artist. Included in the exhibition are the the artist's three portrait paintings which reveal him at his best "Ex-Slave" and "The Street Urchin" are tender and warm studies of the old man born into slavery and the boy who though free must face life with the added burden of discrimination, "Portrait of a Young Girl" has excellent characterization and fine imagination.

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There is a disarming simplicity in William Steig's sculpture at the Downtown Gallery. About three years ago, the artist's father, Joseph Steig, had a one-man show of small, decorative water colors, which made one vaguely conscious of his son's work. And now William's small and charming wood sculpture is slightly reminiscent of his father's primitive water colors . . . Peggy Bacon's exhibit of cats at the Rehn Gallery has a very human note, reminding one of the days when artists had to resort to symbols to express themselves and be safe . . . Doris Rosenthal's paintings of Mexico at the Midtown Galleries have all the elements of personal observation and skillful presentation . . . Ben Zion at the Bonstell is continuing to show growth and promise.

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The Society of Independent Artists' twenty-third annual exhibition is to be seen at the Grand Central Palace. Organized at a time when it was virtually impossible for young artists to get a hearing, the Independent shows have continued true to the original principles: no juries, no prizes; pay as you enter. There is still room for an annual show of this nature, but its purpose should be revalued and its exhibitions made to serve artists' problems of today. Among those who strengthen the show with their works are Philip Evergood, Jose de Greeft, Reginald Marsh, Iskantor, John Taylor Arms, Bertram Hartman, A. Walkowitz, Warren Wheelock, A. S. Baylinson, Theresa Bernstein and William Myerowitz.

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"Art Near Orchard Street" is the title of an exhibition by Ruth Chaney at the Rivington Street Library, Rivington and Orchard Streets. The pictures in the exhibit have been selected by the artist from the viewpoint of their interest to members of the community. Miss Chaney, however, has an observant eye and technical facility. . . . Contemporary Chinese artists are exhibiting at the Wells Galleries. . . . Henry Botkin's new paintings are being shown at the Marie Harriman's . . . Goya's original etchings are at the F. A. R. Gallery. . . . Artists interested have until April 15, to send in their entries for the "Exhibition of Fine Prints for Mass Distribution" to be held at the Brooklyn Museum. Information may be obtained from the United American Artists.

—O. M. F.

### DOUBLE BILL AT TIFFANY

"Smashing the Spy Ring" and "Christmas Carol" are the films listed at the Tiffany Theatre, Westchester and Tiffany St., East Bronx, for today and tomorrow. "Suez" is the weed-end star picture.


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# Fearing's Verse Catches Tempo of Modern Times

DEAD RECKONING. By Kenneth Fearing. Random House, New York. $1.25.

**Reviewed by Nelson Algren**

The telegraphic verse of Kenneth Fearing,* at once wistful, mocking and savage, catches the movement of modern New York with greater accuracy perhaps than does any other poetry of our times. It possesses a tempo more eloquent than its actual phrasing, as nervous in movement as in idiom, like a sudden shifting of gears, a jamming of brakes against a suddenly looming obstacle on the highway at night, then the swift low humming of a powerful engine going nowhere at breakneck speed. For Fearing speaks by speed as well as by word, by abruptness as much as by rythm.

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Yet, though "Dead Reckoning" presents a world adumbrated by the tread of marching armies and the shadows of Chamberlain and Hitler, we come off with the uneasy feeling that Fearing's main fire is still directed against the Babbittry of the '20s, more against the morals of Elbert Hubbard and Edgar Guest than those of Martin Dies and the Rev. Winrod:

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Thus at times Fearing appears more occupied with the crash of 1929 than with the threat of modern fascism, more concerned with the helplessness of the individual under capitalism than with the collective power of man. And in this occupation he can be as tender as any Victorian, as nostalgic as Housman, however streamlined the tempo may remain:

*Is there still any shadow there,*
*On the rainwet window of the coffeepot*
*Between the haberdasher's and the pinball arcade*
*There, we stood one night in the warm, fine*
*Rain, and smoked and laughed and talked . . .*

*(There must be, there has to be, no heart could beat*
*If this were not so*
*That was an hour, a glittering hour, an important hour*
*In a tremendous year)*

This type of preoccupation leads him, easily enough in a world where "the nerve and breath and pulse are for sale," into a profound cynicism, into a sometimes strangely quiet, sometimes cooly gay kind of self-mockery that is, at once, laughter and rage:

*"Pour the cocktails:*
*It is late, it is cold, it is still, it is dark*
*Quickly, for time is swift and it's late, late,*
*Later than you think*
*With one more hour, one more night, one more day*
*Somehow to be killed"*

Certain it is that Fearing commonly takes a beating from the critics because of his pre-occupation with the individual and his resultant pessimism. And of course a critic is correct when he feels that a poet loses not only social importance, but also the deepest understanding of the world of today to the extent that he concern himself with "Amalgamated Death, Inc." and at the expense of concern with the struggles of the living.

Fearing too has shown that he can reach beyond the limitations of his pessimism. Such a poem as "Denouement" in his earlier book shows his ability to do so, and without mechanical optimism.

Certainly there are few poets of larger honesty and deeper incisiveness than Kenneth Fearing. He is not only the most skillful of contemporary poets in the employment of sarcasm and irony he is, basically and beneath his pessimism, potentially one of the most triumphant.

* Kenneth Fearing has just been awarded — for the second time — a Guggenheim Fellowship in Literature.


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## ON THE SCOREBOARD

By Gene Raleigh

(Batting for Lester Rodney)

Pity a humble fella, willya? Can he help it if someone clubbed him in the head when he was a kid? Of course he realizes that his cause is a lost one, but some day he'll either regain his senses or sit back proudly and say "I told you so."

Yes, dear friends. It's a very very sad situation. And yet this "bo" has been following the St. Louis Brownies for quite a long time now.

Don't ask how he got that way. Out of the goodness of his kind heart he started to root for the Brownies. Somebody just had to root for them! It might as well have been him.

**Well, a few years ago the ownership traded hands. Phil Ball had died and Donald Barnes, heading a new syndicate, together with Bill DeWitt took over the reins. A new era was promised . . . an era which would see no more Brownie stars traded for filthy lucre. The boys from the Mound City came up with a young third baseman named Harland Clift, who reminded St. Louis constituents of Ken Williams. Then "Beau" Bell was added to the roster and if all things are taken into consideration (i.e., if the record books are to be believed) he was the prize rookie of his class, including the mighty DiMag.**

Only when I looked into the mirror once more the gloom had returned to my friends eyes. All was not so well. It seemed that this self-same DiMag had taken a sudden liking to Sportsmans' Park. He liked the place so well that whenever he got there he wanted to take some of it back with him. He was always smashing away some of the concrete wall in left field.

Once more my friend settled down to his annual period of regret and remorse from the middle of May to the end of September worrying no end if the Browns would beat the A's out of the dubious honor of bringing up the rear. Then in the spring and for the first few weeks of the new campaign he'd once more get back that old enthusiasm—this would be the year!

And so it is this year as every year. The Brownies have a new manager. They've also acquired some castoff Yankee material and they still have Clift, Bell and fireballer Bucky Newsom, who managed to win 20 games with the Brownies last year.

The loss of Oral Hildebrand to the Yanks isn't going to help the situation any, and as for the present crop, aside from Newsom and Johnny Marcum they have a guy named Walkup and several other Joes.

The infield and outfield however have strong potentialities. McQuinn, Heffner, Kress and Clift are a pretty classy bunch of ball players. They can hit and they ARE good fielders. The addition of Myril Hoag to the outfield won't hurt the Browns at all—it'll do a lot for bolstering its defensive strength. Bell, Hoag, Almada, Mel Mazzera and Joe Grace, a rookie who's been pounding the apple, compose a fair group of patrollers for the outer gardens.

Joe Glenn is going to aid them considerably behind the bat as will the hard-hitting Billy Sullivan. Fred Haney will have a fast, hustling ball club with plenty of fire and fight. But when the time comes around to look at the standings, my friend will read from the bottom up.

# Reds to Win Flag -- Giants 3rd -- Dodgers 6th

***Here's how George Kirksey, U.P. baseball expert, sees the National League teams finishing after looking them all over:***

***1. REDS. 2. CUBS. 3. GIANTS. 4. CARDS. 5. PIRATES. 6. DODGERS. 7. BEES. 8. PHILS.***

***Tomorrow Kirksey sizes up the American League.***

By George Kirksey

Pennants are won with pitching.

**THE CINCINNATI REDS** have the pitching, and that's why they'll win the National League pennant. The Reds have their weaknesses but what National League club hasn't?

Sharpest criticism of the Reds is directed at their second base combination. It's my prediction that the play of Billy Myers and Lonnie Frey around the keystone bag will be one of the big surprises of the 1939 season. Myers is far from the "dog" some critics hint he is and Frey will prove one of the League's most improved players.

**The Reds' main threat will come from the Chicago Cubs and the New York Giants. The Cubs will make a real bid but the rheumatic condition of Shortstop Dick Bartell is likely to be a serious handicap to last year's champions. The Giants can make trouble but their pitching and infield problems are likely to cause Bill Terry's club to falter in september or earlier.**

The astute handling of Cincinnati's pitchers by William Boyd McKechnie will play one of the big roles in deciding the race. Cincinnati is the only club in the League which can show a good pitcher every day—Paul Derringer, Bucky Walters, Johnny Vander Meer, Lee Grissom and Whitey Moore. Behind the "Big Five" the Reds have a formidable group of second-stringers.

Whitey Moore, who won only four games last year, has really arrived. Grissom's arm is strong and he looks like he'll threaten the 20-game class. Don't believe those tales about Vander Meer's physical condition. He'll be ready when the season opens. Walters is pointing for his biggest year. Derringer shows every indication of coming close to his 1938 success when he won 21 games.

**Addition of Bill Werber has "made" the Reds' infield. All talk about his being a troublemaker narrows down to the fact that his conversation is on a somewhat higher plane than the average ball player's. He and McKechnie understand each other.**

Goodman, McCormick and Lombardi are expected to pace the Reds' attack, with help from Wally Berger. Some question Berger's ability to go the 154-game route. If he fades, the Reds have an able replacement in Lee Gamble. Harry Craft, the National League's greatest ball hawk, is due for big improvement, especially at bat.

**THE CUBS loom as a strong contender again, and are picked to finish second. Bill Lee and Clay Bryant can't carry the entire pitching load. Gabby Hartnett's years and the burden of running the club will slow him down and the Cubs will miss him plenty when Gus Mancuso is catching. Two Cubs likely to show big improvement are Joe Marty and Billy Herman, who had a subnormal season in 1938. The departure of Jurges weakened the Cubs' superb defense and Bartell, even if he is healthy, can't match Jurges' fielding.**

**THE GIANTS** have more punch but are weak in the infield and their pitching has gone back. Whitehead is a question mark at second, and Bonura at first and Myatt at third are no fielding wizards. Bonura's bat, however, is likely to give the Giants more kick. But the big problem is pitching, where Carl Hubbell and Hal Schumacher may have gone over the hill.

Gumbert, Melton, Lohrman, Castleman and the rookie Salvo are likely to carry the pitching burden but there's no "meal ticket" in that gang.

The surprise club will be the **ST. LOUIS CARDINALS.** Their youth, fire and punch will land them in the first division. You can't laugh off Medwick and Mize, and Enos Slaughter is going to have the year everyone thought he would last season. If their young pitchers get hot, the Cards might be tough indeed. With a few breaks the Cards could very easily get into the pennant scramble.

**PITTSBURGH** will fall apart and drop into second division This club had its chance last year, and is demoralized. It needs rebuilding in the worst way. The Pirates lack an outstanding pitcher and have no proven left-hander now that Ed Brandt has been kicked off the club for violating training rules.

**The Pirates may have to battle BROOKLYN for fifth place. Brooklyn may be a dark horse. Leo Durocher has the boys hustling, and if Van Mungo should come around the Dodgers could have some fun. But who can tell what Mungo will do? He couldn't, or wouldn't pitch for $15,000 last year so it's more than a gamble what he'll do for $5,000.**

The **BOSTON BEES** are likely to slip as low as seventh place. They'll still be tough in their own park but they haven't the tight defensive club they had a year ago. Their outfield is too slow and Al Simmons' punch isn't going to make much difference.

The **PHILLIES** have the worst ball club in the majors. And the Giants probably will raid the club for one of its pitchers before June 1.


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EXCITING EASTER DANCE in Honor of Disabled Vets, Saturday, April 8, 8:30 P.M. Irving Plaza, 15 Irving Pl. Ausp. West Side Chapter, Friends of Lincoln Brigade. "4-Star" Entertainment: Al Postol and Swing Band; Irwin Corey of "Pins and Needles," Earl Robinson and others. Subs. 49c.

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SPANISH FIESTA—Benefit Spanish Refugee Orphans. Spanish Vaudeville; Havana-Madrid Orchestra; Alberto De Lima, Master of Ceremonies; Rosita Ortega, Consuelo Moreno, and other celebrities. Sunday, April 9, 3 P.M. Dancing till 3 A.M. Palm Gardens, 308 W. 52nd St., NYC. Subs. Gentlemen—75c; Ladies 50c. Ausp. Cook's Union, Local 89.

### *Newark, N. J.*

SPRING FESTIVAL, Saturday, April 8, 8 P.M. Bohemian Hall, 17th St. & 19th Ave. Adm. 39c. Nature Friends of America.

### *Philadelphia, Pa.*

THE AFFAIR of the Year! Fifth Anniversary Celebration of Philadelphia Workers School, Saturday, April 8, 8:15 P.M. Tamiris, well-known Modern Dancer; Joshua Kunitz, Contributing Editor, New Masses; Clarence Hathaway, Editor, Daily Worker—on "Hitler's Next Move." Rex Ingram, star of "Green Pastures," will lead a "Schnitzelbank." Only 35c. Town Hall, 150 North Broad St. Tickets 1215 Walnut St.

2½ HOUR TAC Review, Friday, April 28, 8 P.M. Academy of Music. All seats reserved. Tickets 55c to $1.75, on sale 1011 Chestnut St., Room 818. Friends Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

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## Newcomers On Hipp Card Tonite

### Mahoney Makes Debut vs. Woods; Abrams Shows for 1st Time

Gas House Walter Wods and Buffalo Paul Mahoney will trot out their wares in the feature 10-rounder at the Hippodrome tonight.

Woods is a slight favorite over the upstate middleweight on experience. But Mahoney, a Jimmy Slattery protege, is a speedy and clever boxer and may score.

It will be Woods first appearance in a local ring since his return from Australia where he kayoed Fred Fred Hennenberry and Jack McAnenny. The bout marks Mahoney's local debut.

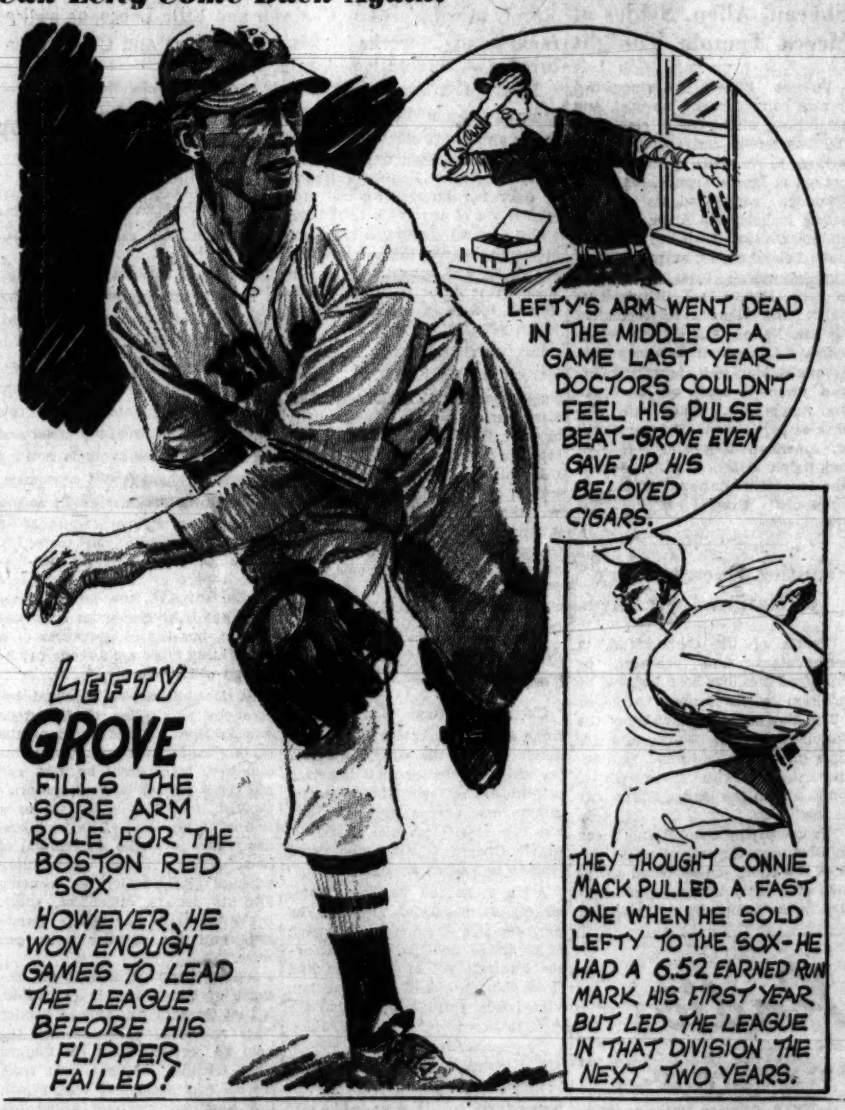
Georgie Abrams, a youngster who has beaten the clever Teddy Yarosz, bows into big-time with Babe Orgovan in the 8-round semi-final. Another 8 brings together Herdie Katz and Mario Liani.

Mayon Padlo and Frankie Terry are paired in a 6, while Yussel Goldstein and Tommy Zano meet in the opening 4.

Tix range from $3.50 ringside down to $1.00 general admission.

**RINGSIDE RAMBLES: Tony Canzoneri takes on tough Jimmy Vaughn in the main 8 at the Coliseum next Tuesday. . . . Matt Perfetti came back from 3 knockdowns in the 3rd to get the nod over Jimmy Litto in 8 hectic rounds at the Coliseum Tuesday night but it was Litto's fight. . . . La Galento may fly to San Francisco for an exhibition April 26**

***Can Lefty Come Back Again?***




## LIU '11' Candidate For Big-Time Spot

### Appointment of Ken Strong as Aide to Coach Bee Tip-off that Blackbirds Won't Forget National Court Ranking

By Stan Kurman

You can tab LIU as a coming grid great.

It may take a year or two for clever Coach Clair Bee to put out a crackerjack eleven but you can bet your boots that the Blackbirds won't let down a that National Number 1 court ranking.

With the announcement yesterday that Ken Strong, former NYU and grid Giant star, would take over the backfield coaching post, you can see that LIU is taking its football seriously.

And Bee is gunning around for other assistants. He intends to give Brooklyn its first big-time college team. The kind of team that fans will flock to Ebbetts Field to see—just as they stormed Madison Square Garden to see that super LIU basketball team.

When LIU dropped football in the fall of 1931 the team had just piled up a 7-game winning streak. That gives you an idea of what Bee can do. And in those days, LIU was just getting on the map. Today the Brooklyn school has arrived.

So don't be surprised when you hear pretty good reports emanating from LIU when Spring grid practice starts April 17. Here's one first-year eleven that won't pull a floppo and be everybody's pushover. Tab LIU for the Rose Bowl—not this year, or next—but SOON!

## Tigers Blank DodgersBehind Bridges, 2-0

### Luke Hamlin's Fine Hurling Goes to Waste

(VIA THE AIRWAVES!)

LAKELAND, Fla., April 5.—Generous Paul Trout, Tiger rookie did his best for the Dodgers today but our courteous boys didn't take advantage and gently succumbed before the Detroit Tigers, 2-0 in a reversal of batting form. Tommy Bridges and Trout combined in the whitewashing job.

Trout walked 3 men in each of the last two innings on the hill but he bore down in the clutch and silenced the Dodgers' big bats.

Bridges was principal villain. Tommy allowed hits in his 7-inning stay but whenever the Dodgers got rough the old master bore down. They couldn't touch Tommy when the going got hot. Luke Hamlin kept up his fine spring pitching with a nice job, yielding 2 runs on 8 hits in his 7-innings on the mound, but couldn't match Tommy's keen performance.

With rookie Trout coming on the scene in the 8th the Dodgers began to show some life but still couldn't push over a run. Ernie Koy came up with two out and the bases loaded—Mr. Trout's gift—and worked the count to 3 and 2 only to strike out on a slow curve.

Brooklyn again loaded the bags in the ninth when Trout repeated his neighborly aid of the previous inning and graciously gave three walks to cram the sacks. Up came Gene Moore who whaled the ball on a line to left outer where young Barney McCoskey made the catch on the run to end things.

Pete Reiser, up as a pinch-hitter for Coscarart with two out in the 9th, looked impressive as he waited out Trout with all the coolness of a vet. With the count 1 and 2 against him, Pete let three bad ones go by to draw his walk. But it wasn't the Dodgers day. You can't win 'em all.

### Exhibition Results

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French and Mancuso; Lyons, Lee and Rensa, Silvestri.

Yankees vs. Dallas at Dallas, Texas, cancelled, rain.

## Young Communists Stage Big Sports Parley Tonite

That Young Communist League sports group you've all been asking, for is on the way and will be geared for action by the time the baseball season goes into high, thinks Harry Merrill, State Cultural Director of the League.

Harry is calling a meeting of all branch sports directors, team managers and captains at the ney YCL State headquarters, 822 Broadway, tonight at 7:30. Come and bring your friends. We need your support if we're going to put this thing over. Free beer and pretzles. Short speeches and long drinks. Dancing will follow. For an intimate evening come in down to the big YCL sports meeting!

## Wisconsin Raps Jim Crow Request; Quits Missouri Meet

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MADISON, Wis., April 5.—With the factulty and student body uniting against Jim Crow, Wisconsin U. today cancelled a triangular meet scheduled at Missouri U. Saturday because the southern school had "requested" that star Negro hurdler Ed Smith of the Badger track team be dropped out of the competition. Notre Dame was the third entry.

Wisconsin Coach Tom Jones withdrew from the meet after Missouri Athletic Director Don Faurot refused to rescind the Jim Crow verdict. The Wisconsin faculty "opposed the engagement of a University athletic team in an intercollegiate contest in which any member of the team is barred because of his race."

The school paper, voicing the sentiments of the student body, editorially applauded Jones' action.

## 92nd St. 'Y' Tackles Four College Teams

Four college teams are among the diamond opponents scheduled by the 92nd St. Y. M. H. A. this season, it was announced yesterday by Coach Harry Krosnick.

They are City College Evening, which provides the opposition in the opener at the Lewisohn Stadium on April 23; Savage, Queens College and Brooklyn College Evening.


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